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RETURN TO THE FRONTGermans Say its War Fleet Will
Soon Deliver Blow That Will
Astonish the WorldAMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—Emperor
William, who has been detained in
Berlin for some time because of illness,
will return to the front this week, ac-
cording to a dispatch to the Telegraf
today.The emperor, the same dispatch says,
has just conferred the decoration of
the Iron Cross, first class, on Chan-
celor von Bethmann-Hollweg.NISH DESPATCH SAYS THAT THE
AUSTRIAN LOSSES ARE VERY
HEAVYPARIS, Dec. 18.—In a Nish despatch
a correspondent of the Hays agency
says that the Serbian authorities have
re-established themselves in the vicin-
ity of Podrin, where the Austrian
troops surrendered to them. Prisoners
alleged that the Austrian losses in the
recent engagements in killed and
wounded have been very large and that
they exceed the losses in prisoners.
Heavy casualties are shown by the
unnumbered unburied bodies of Aus-
trian soldiers found on the line of their
rebeat.

Luzitza, where there has been no

fighting recently, was burned by the
Austrians.LAST NIGHTS EUROPEAN WAR
FEATURES IN BRIEF

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Prince von Buelow declares German
fleet will soon deliver a blow that will
astonish the world.England prepares to repel further
raids on her coast.Egypt is declared a British protec-
torate.German victory in Central Poland
sets the Russians back toward War-
saw.Russians reported in retreat along
entire front except in East Prussia.Allies gain ground to eastward of
Ypres in Belgium and at points in
Northern France.German fleet off Falklands refused
to surrender and flagship sunk with
crew ranging on deck cheering.Turks claim a victory in Province
of Van.Berlin newspapers assert a majority
of the 70,000 from that city who went
to war have been killed.Total death list from German bom-
bardment of English shore towns, 95.SHOPLIFTING IS CHARGED
MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN WEARING
FUR COAT HAS \$50 WORTH OF
PROPERTY WHEN ARRESTEDBOSTON, Dec. 18.—Inspectors Mc-
Carthy and Towle of police headquar-
ters, early last evening arrested a mid-
dle-aged woman, finely dressed, wear-
ing a long fur coat, on charge of shop-
lifting.Property valued at \$50.50, which is
alleged to be stolen from five stores,
was found in her possession. When
brought into police headquarters she
refused to tell her name or anything
about herself, and it was not until
three hours later that she told the po-
lice her name was Mary Selmon. The
police say this name probably is ficti-
tious.When searched, two bags with draw-
ing strings were found on her. She
was wearing them under her skirt.
This morning she will be returned to
police headquarters and her Bertha
measurements taken.Later in the evening the same offi-
cers arrested Patrick J. O'Connell, 47
years old, who claimed to be a clothes
presser, on the charge of stealing from
department stores. He had spoons and
eye-glasses worth about \$3.

DIVISION II, A. O. H.

The regular meeting of Div. II, A. O.
H. was held last evening with President
McCarthy in the chair. Seven applica-
tions for membership were received
and acted upon. The following officers
were elected for the coming year:
President, John F. McConery; vice
president, John J. Kennedy; financial
secretary, William J. Nelson; recording
secretary, Daniel J. Healey; treasurer,
John H. Hickey; doorkeeper, Thomas
Nevin; sergeant at arms, J. J. Hickey;
committee, John J. Dwyer, John J. Nel-
son, J. O'Donnell; standing committee,
James J. McManamon, Patrick J. Fra-
ley, Dennis E. Dwyer, Michael T. Mc-
Carthy, Daniel J. Healey; physician,
J. J. Cassidy. The division voted to
hold the next meeting Sunday after-
noon at 3 o'clock p. m. The following
brothers spoke: McManamon, Kin-
ney, McGovern, Frawley, Kenny, Han-
niff and Bros. Luchman. Callahan, Mar-
kum which brought the meeting to a
close.

RACIOPHRE FRESHMEN ORGANIZED

The freshman class at Radcliffe col-
lege was organized yesterday by the
senior president and elected its class
officers, as follows: Ruth Pennek of
Sarasota, N. Y., president; Katherine
Ham of Cambridge, vice president;
Folke Morris of Chicago, secretary;
Dorothy Marsh of New York city, treas-
urer. The freshman basketball team
has elected Beatrice Jones of Cam-
bridge, captain.

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—Germans Claim Two British Des-

troyers Sunk—Berlin and Vienna Re-

port Russians Falling Back

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Again the Ger-
mans and Austrians seem to be on the
crest of a wave of battle as the in-
fernal struggle in the east con-
tinues, again Berlin is gay with flags
and again Petrograd declines to con-
cede victory to the invaders of Russia.
Berlin and Vienna contend, however,
that the Russians are falling back
along the entire front from the Baltic
to the Carpathians with the invading
center less than 20 miles from War-
saw.To the south, Russians only a few
weeks ago were pouring over the Car-
pathians into Hungary, combined Aus-
tro-German columns have now forced
them back through the passes and, it
is asserted, have advanced two-thirds
of the way across Galicia and are near-
ing the fortress of Lemberg, occupied
by the Russians early in the Galician
campaign.The Russian official announcements
admit none of this. They dismiss
the happenings in Galicia as engage-
ments of no importance and class the
operations to the west of Warsaw in
the same category. It is claimed,
however, that the extreme Russian
right near Mlava has thrust the Ger-
mans back and that Russian cavalry
has swung across the southern border
of East Prussia.In the western arena no event of
great importance has been reported.
But by foot the allies appear to be
forcing the Germans out of their
trenches in Flanders and maintaining
the pressure elsewhere on the front
from the sea to Switzerland.The British press today naturally
makes a feature of the announcement
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Women's Muslin Plaited Roll Collar and Cuffs—25c Set.

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Finest French and Pyralin Ivory in sets and single pieces.

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Laces

Corset Cover Patterns

Silk Hosiery

Ribbons

Toilet Articles

Enlures

Toilet Sets

Manicure Sets

Corsets

Ostrich Feathers

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Rosary Beads

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Battenberg

Pin Cushions

Fancy Work

Jewelry

Shell Goods

Hair Ornaments

Rings

Umbrellas

Men's Neckwear

Fancy Suspensers

Men's Bath Robes

Men's Silk Hose

Fancy Belts

In Basement

Fancy Waist Patterns

Fancy Blankets

Silk Down Puffs

Towels

Tray Cloths

Linen Sets

Embroidered Pillow Cases

Dolls

Cut Glass

Victrolas

Grafonolas

Silverware

Hand Painted China

Japanese China

Bric-a-Brac

Second Floor

Couch Covers

Utility Boxes

Lace Curtains

Portieres

Cedar Chests

Undergarments

Infants' Wear

Aprons

Kimonos

Furs

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Men's Bath Robes—\$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

Men's Sweaters—\$2.00 to \$8.00.

Men's Christmas Suspensers—25c to \$1.00.

Men's Christmas Armlets—25c to 50c.

Men's Christmas Sets—50c to \$1.00.

Men's Christmas Ties—25c to \$1.00.

Men's Christmas Gloves—25c to \$5.00.

Men's Christmas Slippers—45c to \$2.00.

Men's Christmas Moccasins—\$2.00.

Women's Christmas Moccasins—\$2.00 to \$3.00.

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Over \$14,000 Worth of Women's Gloves for You to Choose From

We have every size in every desirable shade, in all grades. We placed our Christmas orders last spring and we got them filled, too.

Our Prices Are Rock Bottom

RIBBONS

Miles and miles of beautiful Ribbons suitable for Christmas work. Bows, Hair Ribbons, Men's Ties, etc. Handsome weaves in every desirable shade and color combination. Every yard fresh from the looms of the world's best factories. The prices: O. K.

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Finest French, Japanese and German, our own direct importation.

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Fancy Table Pieces of every kind

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Genuine cut in the newest floral cuttings.

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Roll Trays

Oil and Vinegar Cruets

Fruit Bowls

Spoon Trays

Celery Trays

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The day held under the auspices of the Sun Society last evening at the date hall was an immense success.

Jack Gallagher, a young man well known in this city, is now employed at the C. S. Cartridge Co.

Jack Connelley of the Stirling mill will enter college next year and take up the study of dentistry.

William Buckley, formerly of the Weaver block mill in Colville, has accepted a position out of town.

The Electrical Workers union will hold its regular meeting tonight at the Elks building.

A. Kelly, a popular street railway conductor with a hard hat, will be secretary of the union. The election will take place next Tuesday evening.

Two departures in a part of a child, departing at the hour, were in operation at 12 o'clock last night.

Frank Baye, formerly employed in the printing business in Waterville, Me., has accepted a position in Franklin, N. H.

Joshua Campbell, the prominent socialist, is here, concentrated on an effort that will place a short time ago in New York town.

John Moran of the Massachusetts mills.

HOW TO CLEAR AWAY PIMPLES

Save your face for several minutes with Resinol Soap and hot water, then apply a little Resinol Ointment very gently. Let this stay on ten minutes, and wash off with Resinol Soap and more hot water, finishing with a dash of cold water to close the pores. Do this once or twice a day, and you will be astonished to find how quickly the healing, antiseptic Resinol medication soothes and cleanses the pores, removes pimples and blackheads, and leaves the complexion clear and velvety.

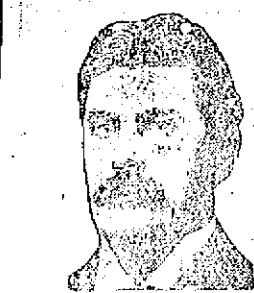
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Pat on. 25c up. Prompt service and good work.

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Now Is the Time to Have Your Dental Work Done



DR. THOMAS JEFFERSON KING

Each year during the holiday season it has been my custom to give special values and extra inducement to the public to have their dental work done. This year I am giving the greatest inducements I have ever offered and I strongly advise those in need of dental service to take advantage of these most liberal offers as they are the greatest values ever offered the people of this city.

This Offer Is Good for 60 Days Painless Extracting FREE

Our advanced bridge work is a vast improvement over the old style bridge work and can only be had at my office.



\$4.50
Solid Gold
Crowns and
Bridges
\$4.50

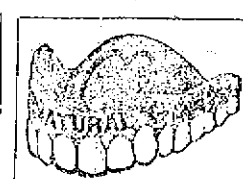
This is the only office in Lowell where gold crowns and teeth without plates are made and can be duplicated anywhere for less than \$15.

During the life of this offer all bridge work and fillings will be done at reduced rates for the advantage of those who do not desire plates.

FULL SET TEETH

\$8
Regular price \$15.00

This is the lightest and strongest plate it is possible to make and a plate that can not be duplicated anywhere for less than \$15.



Don't Buy Old Style Teeth

Get Dr. King's natural gums which defy the detection of false teeth in the mouth.

ALUMINUM PLATES

The only substitute for gold plates is another feature of this office and a special low price will be made during this offer. They are light, cool and antiseptic. Ask about them.

Gold Filling on plate \$1.00
Gold Crown on plate \$3.50

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My Office In My Office
A. M. & E. M. Sundays by Appointment. Dental Nurse in Attendance. Phone 3500. French spoken.

which had quite a run in Boston recently.

Jack Hall, an employee of the American Hide & Leather Co., who last year was given a trout by President in the New England club, will entertain with one of the Colonial League teams this season. It is reported.

The smoke talk and lecture to be held under the auspices of St. Peter's Holy Name society tonight gives promise of being instructive and highly enjoyable. President Ward will occupy the chair.

James Gartin of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. will take the engineers' examination to be held in Boston July 2, 1915. Mr. Gartin has made excellent preparation and is confident of success.

Miss Edith Myers of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. was among the large gathering that attended the production of "The Road to Happiness" in Boston recently. Miss Myers hasn't informed us as yet whether she found it.

The various department stores down street present one of the most beautiful pictures in years, and it would be hard indeed to select the most attractive window display. Christmas shopping will be started with a rush on Monday.

Agent Whitey of the Lowell Branch is one of the most energetic mill managers in this part of the country. Mr. Whitey started at the bottom of the ladder, proceeded to the master mechanic's rung, and then to the top, to his present position.

Thomas McQuade, of the Hugelov Hartford Carpet Co., was captured in his match with a noted and first at a local pool parlor last Monday evening. Tom has the makings of a pool champion and should devote more time to the game.

Ross Hall, the energetic business agent of the Machinists union has not visited the local branch for some time, undoubtedly due to the pressure of business. Mr. Hall has addressed the members of the local union on several occasions and is well liked by them. His home is in Lynn, Mass.

Arthur O'Neill, the genial bookkeeper at O'Connell's in Market street, is at present busily engaged reading out invitations for the annual dancing party conducted by the Old Hour Campers. Arthur says the affair this year will be even more enjoyable than preceding years.

The Beaver Brook mills in Collingville were running in several departments last night, and the lights of the mill as contrasted with the darkness outside presented a beautiful picture of industry prospering. These mills are a part of the American Woolen company.

Amicable settlement in differences arising between employer and employee is a plank in the platform of the Root & Shaw Workers' union. Organizer D. E. Whelan attributes the success of this union to a large measure to this decided feature. The union has one officer in death, sick or disability before last year the grand sum of \$11,000.

John Quinn, stage manager at Keith's has the reputation among the players of being one of the most popular stage men on the circuit. John was pretty good on the boards himself in his day, and since his exodus has appeared in many amateur performances, in which he displayed much of the old time stuff.

Supt. C. S. Bodfish Promoted
Clarence E. Bodfish, for several years employed as superintendent of the Bay State mills of this city has received a well deserved promotion by the American Woolen company, having been appointed to be agent of the Pittsfield Woolen mills, Pittsfield, Me. His successor at the Bay State mills has not been appointed as yet.

Called Printers Union
The Calico Printers' union held a meeting in Odd Fellows hall last night and a list of routine business was transacted. Two new members were admitted. The secretary's report showed the union to be in excellent standing both financially and numerically.

Machinists Union
The Machinists union held a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting last evening in the union quarters in Middle street, with President Walter Phelps in the chair. Several new members were admitted and committee reports were accepted as read. A state of important communications were properly referred to the secretary for disposal. The secretary's report reflected progress.

Typographical Union Meet
On Saturday evening, Dec. 12, the typographical union will hold its regular monthly meeting at its new rooms in Post 1st hall, Mechanics Savings Bank building, directly opposite the entrance of St. Anne's church.

The meeting will take the form of a housewarming, and an elaborate musical program has been arranged. A buffet lunch will be served after the business session. The drawing of the turkeys will also take place, and the prizes will be awarded for the ticket selling contest.

The new quarters are elegantly furnished and will make the most comfortable home for the typographical union as ever had.

It is up to the members to show their appreciation to the hard working officials who have made the new quarters possible by attending the meeting, which again, lest you forget, is Saturday night.

Trades & Labor Council
A very important and highly interesting meeting of the Trades & Labor council was held last evening at the Trades & Labor hall in Middle street, at which the secretary of the important body was instructed to get in touch with representatives and senators in an effort to secure a referendum on the question of public ownership of street railways, before any further consolidation of steam and electric roads be sanctioned.

The council also rounded its discussion and opposition to the suggestion, which would grant state boards the authority to modify labor laws.

A communication from the Massachusetts State board was received, asking the local council to appoint a special committee to be in readiness at any time to appear at the state house on legislative matters affecting their interests which may arise from time to time. The communication was given proper attention.

The advance committee report showed that various matters of importance to labor had been settled satisfactorily. An appropriation of \$15 was made in response to an appeal made by the American Federation for the relief of the members of labor unions now on strike at Colvilleville, N. Y. At-Punta, Ga. and Calumet, Mich.

In answer to a recent invitation extended to President G. W. C. of the American Federation of Labor to speak before the local body, a communication was read last evening in which Mr. C. stated that he is not ready to answer definitely at present. The secretary was instructed to extend an invitation to Vice President James Dugan to address the council.

A list of routine business was transacted and several minor communications were referred to the secretary for proper disposal.

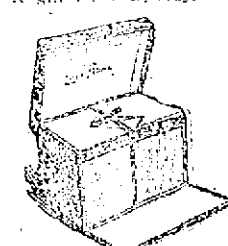
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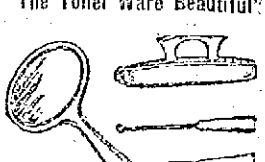


Shopping at Riker's

You will enjoy the cheery Christmas spirit which you will find in our stores—good nature—patience—consideration and the desire to be obliging is everywhere apparent. The time-honored tradition of gift giving is something that is cherished by us all from childhood up, and a gift from "Riker's" is one of true worth at lesser expense. Our assortments are large and varied and our bright, roomy stores allow comfortable and careful selections. Our positive guarantee of satisfaction stands back of every transaction.

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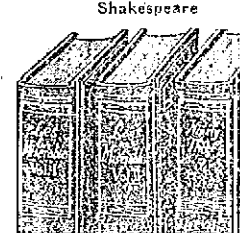
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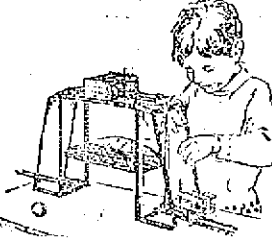
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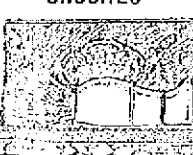
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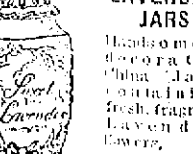
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Celluloid China Balls 15c-25c
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Bears on Wheels 49c to 1.75
Teddy Bears 25c to 3.98
Dressed Character Dolls 69c
Stuffed Kewpie 12c to 2.49
Celluloid Kewpie 19c to 1.0c
Balloons 10c
Accessory outfit, 1.00 to 4.00
Celluloid Orange Balls 10c-15c

Little Mind Builder Blocks 52c
Squeezee Billkins 39c
Celluloid Dolls 23c-1.19
O' You Kid Dolls 15c-29c
Dressed Boy 49c
Stuffed Dogs 1.18-1.68
Stuffed Cats 87c-1.57
White Rubber Kewpies 19c-59c
Dressed Kewpies 49c-59c
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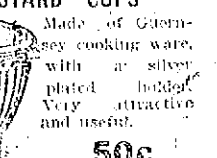
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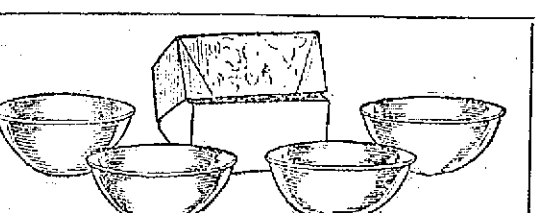
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Built like a fountain pen, with clip attachment 1.00



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In sets of four. These little trays give you individual receptacles for ashes. Just the thing for a table or around the den. They fit into each other and when not in use take up little space. They are a \$1.90 value. Packed in a neat box **50c**

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You might hesitate in buying a man a box of cigars, thinking perhaps you wouldn't get the kind that satisfied him. You can buy any of our brands with the positive assurance that he will thank you, as they are carefully selected for their extra fine smoking qualities; we keep them always in their best smoking condition and our enormous sales allow us to give better values than can be obtained elsewhere. Packed in boxes of 25, 50, 100.

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A Christmas Gift of "Riker's Candy." The most delicious, the most and the best Chocolates, Creams, fruits, etc., especially prepared for the festive season, daintily attired in handsome gift boxes and baskets.

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Venetian Chocolates, 80c, 1.60, 2.40 and 4.00
In special round, fancy, decorated boxes, 90c and 1.80
Exquisite Chocolates, 60c, 1.20 and 1.80
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PERFUMES

The choicest creations of the world's greatest producers. 50c and upwards

FOR CHRISTMAS MORNING A KODAK

And throughout the day, the taking of pictures of all that goes to make "that day" a merry one.
Kodaks from 6.00 to 25.00
For the children we are specializing on the No. 0 Brownie Camera, which will add new interest to the life of any boy or girl. So simple, inexpensive and will take good pictures, \$1.25. Other Brownies up to \$12.00

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MANY PETITIONS

Mayor Hears Claimants
Who Have Claims
Against the City

Petitioners seeking to recover for personal injuries or damage to property were given a hearing before Mayor Murphy in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last night. The mayor was assisted by City Solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy. All of the petitioners notified of the hearing did not appear. No action was taken on any of the petitions and nothing will be done until the municipal council as a whole has gone over the evidence. The hearing was begun at 7.30 o'clock.

The petitioners included Mrs. R. J. Beards of 91 Fletcher street, who had hurt her side and arms by falling in Fletcher street. She said she caught her foot in a protection and fell.

Mrs. Nellie L. Small of 55 Eighteenth street caught her foot in a hole at the corner of Fletcher and Pawtucket streets and hurt her foot. She had been able to work steadily since the accident. She estimates her damages at \$250.

Mrs. Letitia Watson of By street said she fell on the sidewalk in Alken avenue. A hump on the sidewalk had caused her to slip and when she fell she broke her leg in two places. She was in the hospital from January until March. Counsel for Mrs. Watson presented a statement of injuries from Dr. M. A. Tighe. Mr. Howard asked compensation in the sum of \$200.

P. H. Bradley said he was hurt Jan. 31 on Gorman street. At the corner of Madison street there was much ice on the sidewalk, and he fell and was rendered unconscious. He was carried into a house and later went home, where he was attended by Dr. James F. Loughran, who insisted Mr. Bradley should go to the hospital. His shoulder was badly hurt, and now he can raise his right arm only as high as his mouth. Questioned by his attorney, Mr. Bradley said he had not consulted a lawyer for over two months, because he had had a claim against the city settled previously. Questioned by the mayor, Mr. Bradley spoke of a hole in the sidewalk, although in the statement to the city solicitor no mention of any hole in the sidewalk appeared. Dr. Francis R. Mahoney said he had recently examined Mr. Bradley, which examination indicated that the shoulder had been dislocated.

William J. Heuroux said that in August last, while driving for Sam H. Hostler in East Pine street, the horse slipped into a catch-basin and knocked it off. The horse was laid up for two weeks.

Frank J. Ladd claimed damages through the construction of the sanitary station in Fudge street. Property owned by Mr. Ladd was rendered unrentable there for a time, while the station was being built. Since that time the rent has depreciated.

Robert E. Crowley appeared in connection with a land damage claim presented by Esmer Greenberg. Mr. Crowley said he sold and in Winter street, formerly owned by Mr. Greenberg, is familiar with land taken by the city for the extension of Shaw street. Since that time Mr. Greenberg has erected two houses, which fact has increased the value of adjoining land to 20 cents a square foot.

Solicitor Hennessy said the city

council had awarded \$492.74 in 1911, in this same matter.

Napoleon Bechard, representing himself, said that he was crossing the Central bridge, on the night of Nov. 17, catching his foot on a defective plank, the plank was torn from his heel.

William Brown said that while working in the sewer department the staking broke and caused the earth to cave in and his knee and shoulder were cut. He had not worked for 18 days. Mayor Murphy said that the claim properly comes under the terms of the workmen's compensation act, which allows for time lost over two weeks.

Rev. Raymond C. Clapp said he was driving his machine up Broadway on the morning of Aug. 10, and when near Claire street, owing to mud on the street, his car skidded. It went into the pole of an ice wagon. The automobile was damaged. The repairs cost \$37 and depreciation of the machine was about \$23. He asked \$50. Mr. Clapp said that a trench had just been covered up there and the watering cart had caused the loose earth to form a mud.

Mrs. Daniel H. Cooney asked compensation of \$7 for damage to hay, caused by employees of the moth department. Mayor Murphy said the claim was valid.

Francis E. Faulkner was the first witness in the case of Mrs. Lillian Craig, who appeared for her 6-year-old son. He said he saw a district fire chief's machine strike the boy. Dr. J. J. Meacham said he saw the boy Aug. 15 at his home, 32 Rock street. The teeth were loosened and there were abrasions on the arms and body. Mrs. Craig said she had to leave her work in the mill for two and one-half weeks to attend her son.

Catherine Curran said she had sprained her ankle in Sherman street. The accident occurred July 24. She was attended by Dr. James P. McAdams. Samuel Tompkins' house in Fairmount street was badly damaged by fire May 11. Men employed by the city had been burning brush across the street and Mr. Tompkins said the house caught from the brush fire. The loss was estimated at \$1,000. The insurance company refused to pay, but Mr. Tompkins said he was obliged to move and pay rent elsewhere. District Chief James C. Sullivan said there was a brush fire on the opposite side of the street from Mr. Tompkins' house, and was told that the fire had its origin in the brush as he had his own knowledge he did not know the cause of the fire.

Frederic S. Harvey, representing the American Good Roads Machinery company, presented a bill for \$128.15, including interest for goods ordered by Newell P. Putnam, when superintendent of streets. Mayor Murphy said that the materials had been used by the city, and he would recommend the payment of the bill. Mr. Harvey also presented a bill for \$36.14 from the Asphalium Rubber company, for goods supplied.

Bennett Brothers had a claim in for damages due to the overflow of a catch basin. It was stated that the sewage flowed over the land into the cellar, and a lot of cypress lumber, which had been kiln-dried was badly damaged.

P. S. C. MEETING
An important meeting of the members of the Pawtucketville Social club was held last night in the club's rooms in Moody street with President Joseph Payette in the chair. A feature of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

President, Joseph Payette; vice president, Rosaire Tourangeau; secretary, Olive Brunelle; assistant secretary, Louis Descheneaux; treasurer, Joseph Sawyer; assistant treasurer, Dolphie Robert; librarian, Albert Lemay and sergeant-at-arms, Ursula Lema.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

HUMAN CHAIN SAVES SCATER—
FRIENDS RISK LIFE FOR ROBERT KING

WATERTOWN, Dec. 18.—Robert King, aged 21, of 194 Los Angeles street, Newton, was rescued from drowning in the Charles river near the Riverton section yesterday afternoon only after four of his companions had formed a human chain and risked their lives to save him.

About 2 o'clock King, with John Frank and Samuel Halfrey of 70 Essex street and Walter Arsenault of 34 Bridge street, Newton, went skating on the river. They went as far as Faneuil on the Newton side. Returning, they went out nearer the center of the river toward the Watertown side. When almost opposite Riverton, King, who was leading, broke through the thin ice and was soon foundering about.

Park Officer Dominick O'Connor called to the young men not to get excited while he started for a ladder and rope, which were on the riverbank some distance away.

The Halfrey brothers found a plank, and lying on the ice with Arsenault, they pushed it toward King, who was fast becoming numb. They called words of encouragement to him, and John Halfrey, who was the head man in the chain, managed to push the plank far enough for King to get hold of it.

John Halfrey then pushed himself along until he succeeded in getting hold of King's hand. While struggling to pull him up he felt both the water but managed to cling to his friend. At this time Officer O'Connor had arrived with the ladder and rope and the two young men were pulled from the water.

Both were suffering from the cold and were taken to the Metropolitan police station in Brighton, where they were cared for until they were able to go to their homes.

The accident and rescue were witnessed by a large crowd and the young men were complimented on their good judgment and courage.

FINES AGGREGATE \$750

TWO DRUGGISTS AND CLERK ARRESTED IN CAMBRIDGE ON CHARGES OF LIQUOR SELLING

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Fines aggregating \$750 were imposed yesterday in the Cambridge district court on two Cambridge druggists and a clerk, convicted of illegal selling of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale and maintaining liquor nuisances.

Leonard E. Hubbard of 1033 Cambridge street was found guilty of keeping and exposing liquor for sale, and guilty of making one illegal sale. He was fined \$75 on each count. Mr. Hubbard was found not guilty of maintaining a liquor nuisance and was also cleared of a charge of making an illegal sale, two being named in the complaint.

J. Bennett Vogel, 215 Western avenue, was found guilty of making three illegal sales of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale and maintaining a liquor nuisance. He was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225. His clerk, Roy H. Pitcher, charged with making three illegal sales of liquor, was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225.

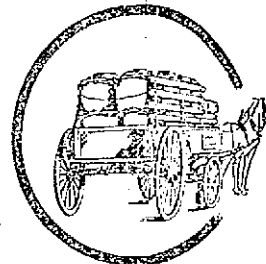
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INSANITY IN THIS COUNTRY

Enormous Increase in Number
of Insane Under Institutional
Care — Asylums Overcrowded

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Is insanity in the United States on the increase? This question is discussed by Dr. Joseph A. Hill in the government report on the insane in institutions, soon to be issued by William J. Harris, director of the census, in the department of commerce. That there has been an enormous increase in the number of insane under institutional care is made evident by the statistics presented in this report, but, for reasons there set forth, this itself can not be regarded as conclusive proof of an increase of insanity in the general population outside of institutions.

The number of insane reported in institutions increased from 150,181 in 1894 to 187,791 in 1910—an increase of 25 per cent in six years. The total population of the United States in the same interval increased only 12 per cent. Therefore, insane in institutions increased twice as fast as the population. In 1904, out of every 100,000 persons in the total population, 184 were reported in institutions for the insane; by 1910 the number had increased to 204. In other words, in 1904, one person out of every 543 was confined to an institution for the insane; in 1910, one person out of every 490. There was a strikingly marked increase in the number of annual admissions to these institutions, 60,765 persons having been admitted in 1910, as compared with 49,622 in 1904, an increase of 22 per cent. The number of admissions per 100,000 population increased from 61 in 1904 to 66 in 1910.

These increases are at least partly attributable to the extension of the provisions made for the care of insane persons and to the growth of the practice of placing them in institutions. There is an increasing disposition and willingness on the part of the public to accept institutional treatment. The old-time horror of the lunatic asylum, fully justified, perhaps, by the inhuman practices formerly prevailing in such institutions, has largely disappeared, and it is coming to be recognized that the modern institution for the insane is simply a diseases, fulfilling essentially the same purpose in the community as any other hospital for the sick. In the interval between 1904 and 1910 the number of institutions for the insane increased from 328 to 366, the average number of inmates per institution increasing from 458 to 512.

Insane Asylums Overcrowded
Notwithstanding these developments, the care of the insane are still very inadequate in most parts of the United States. There are general complaints of overcrowded institutions.

Of the 60,769 persons admitted to insane hospitals in 1910, 35,654 came from cities, villages or other incorporated places of more than 2,500 inhabitants, while 25,115 came from the smaller towns or country districts, leaving 5,673 for whom the place of residence was not reported. Of more significance, however, are the statistics showing the number of admissions in proportion to the total population of each class of communities.

From rural communities 41 insane persons were admitted per 100,000 population; from the urban communities the ratio was 86 per 100,000. These figures cover the entire United States, but there is a similar difference in all sections of the country. Everywhere the ratio of admissions is higher, and usually much higher, from urban than from rural communities, although the contrast is rather less striking in New England than in other geographic divisions. It seems probable, therefore, that the increase in the proportion of total population living in cities has resulted in an increase of insanity.

Effects of Dissipation
A partial explanation of the difference between city and country, as regards their contributions to the hospitals for the insane, is found in the statistics of cases of general paralysis and of alcoholic psychoses. These are forms of insanity which, directly or indirectly, are caused by the dissipation. Of the total number of persons admitted to hospitals in 1910, 15.5 per cent, or more than one-sixth, were afflicted with one or the other of these diseases. This class of cases, however, formed only 10.4 per cent, or one-tenth, of the admissions from rural communities, as compared with 21 per cent, or one-fifth, of the admissions from urban communities. The ratio of such cases to 100,000 population was 4.3 for rural communities, as compared with 18 for urban; that is to say, in proportion to population the cases of this character received from the city were about four and one-half times as numerous as those from the country.

When the cases of alcoholic psychosis and general paralysis are left out of account, the ratio of admissions to hospitals for the insane still remains higher from urban communities than from rural, but the contrast becomes less striking, the ratio for the other cases of insanity being 68 per 100,000 for urban population, as compared with 37 per 100,000 for rural.

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From Yesterday's Late Editions

POLICE OFFICERS SUED IN SUM OF \$5000 EACH

Sgt. Bartholomew Ryan and Patrolman Patrick Sullivan of the Lowell police department have been sued in the sum of \$5000 each by one Julius Reinkka, described in the writ as a citizen of Finland, in the empire of Russia, an alien now residing in Lowell. The writs have been brought in the United States district court in Boston and the writs are returnable to the third Tuesday in March. Lawyer Anderson of Boston is counsel for Reinkka and City Solicitor Hennessy will appear for the defendants. The case is described as an action of tort as the result of alleged assault and battery made upon the complainant by the defendants while arresting him.

The arrest of Reinkka was made in Back Central street about two months ago. The time of the arrest was shortly after midnight. The officers allege that Reinkka was under the influence of liquor. He was taken home by Patrolman Sullivan at 11 o'clock, but came out again and went looking for

the officer. He was talking to the patrolman when Sgt. Ryan came along. The sergeant made some inquiries regarding him. He learned from the patrolman that Reinkka was a married man and a working man, and he then decided to take him back again to his home. When they got there, the officers said, the man's wife was in the yard and she did not want her husband arrested because she said she "was afraid of him." While contemplating what was best to be done, the officers, Reinkka struck Patrolman Sullivan a heavy blow in the face and then there ensued a general uproar in which the officers had all that they could do. Reinkka was finally subdued and taken to the police station. He appeared in police court the following morning. He was charged with drunkenness and was given a suspended sentence of three months in jail and ordered to keep the peace for six months. Reinkka lived in Back Central street. The two officers in question are usually very careful not to use unnecessary force in making arrests.

was forced and the agent said that the case would have to be removed and the case or box lettered. This prevented the firing of a sign painter and he got through just in time to prevent the gun from remaining over a day in Lowell. The question arose whether the situation would be if the chief executive of the city had to ship half a dozen cops of the 50 ton type. Such things are a daily occurrence in war times.

Bids Opened on Pumps

The following bids on two turbo-centrifugal pumps have been received by James H. Cunningham, commissioner of water works and fire department: Keer Turbine Co., Millville, N. Y., \$11,641; Wilson-Snyder Co., Boston, \$12,359; Henry H. Worthington, New York, \$12,359; Power Equipment Co., Boston, acting for the De Laval Pump Co., of Trenton, N. J., \$12,612; P. H. Hayes Turbine Co. of Boston, acting for the Platt Co. of London, Ohio, \$12,619. The Keer Turbine Co. was the lowest bidder and besides being the lowest bidder, gave the highest economy guarantee and the lowest guarantee on steam consumption. The contract, however, has not yet been awarded and will not be awarded until Commissioner Cunningham has looked into the matter thoroughly as to the guarantee submitted. The pumps in question are to be used at the boulevard filtration plant and will be installed in the new pumping station.

The Weekly Payroll

The pay roll for the week was \$28,379.01. This included the precinct officers who were paid \$1250. The street department wages for this week amounted to \$2262.32, as against \$2322.61 for the previous week, and \$2781.50, and \$3436.86 for the two weeks next preceding.

COP SUSPENDED CITY HALL NEWS BACK FROM THE WAR

Mayor Dennis J. Murphy has suspended Patrolman John Gillis for a period of six months. The patrolman was charged with drunkenness and was found guilty by a trial board appointed by Commissioner James H. Carmichael, acting mayor. The following letter from the mayor to the superintendent of police is self-explanatory:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 16, 1917.
Supt. Edmund Welch, Police Dept., Dear Sir:

I have this day read the evidence submitted to me in the case of Patrolman John Gillis, who is charged with the violation of rule 19 of the police manual to wit, drunkenness while on duty. The trial board makes a finding of guilty and upon review of the evidence I find that they were justified in making such finding, and I therefore affirm said finding and order said John Gillis to be suspended from duty with loss of pay for a period of six months from this date.

While Officer John Gillis has been guilty in the past of certain offenses of duty, I think the officer on the whole has made a good officer, and I have taken this into consideration in not making the punishment more severe. You will please read this finding and the appeal to the officers of your department.

Yours truly,
Dennis J. Murphy, Mayor.

Com. Carmichael Advocates New Head for Elections Dept.

Commissioner James H. Carmichael is out, flat-footed, for a complete reorganization of the elections department. The commissioner believes that a responsible man should be placed at the head of that department and he also believes that a card index system of voters should be established. "There ought to be a man at the head of the elections department," said the commissioner, "who would be held responsible for everything connected with the department. He ought to be the man upon whom the commissioner of finance could rely in every way. I truly believe that the board of registration of voters should elect a supervisor or superintendent of elections."

"There isn't any doubt about the necessity of a card index system of voters. This has been shown time and time again. I can recall a case at the very moment that I was assisting in the reorganization of the card system. A man in New Hampshire wanted some information concerning his father who had been a voter in this city. The records were all gone over but the man's name was not discovered though it did appear in some of the old directories. Our present system of recording the names of voters is antiquated. It would probably take two or three men two or three years to complete a proper card system, but when completed it would be of great assistance in many ways. It could be made to constitute the best record obtainable of any voter in the city of Lowell. I am going to recommend that such a system be installed."

LEUT. EMILE RASSEZ WILL SOON RETURN FROM THE FRONT TO HIS LOWELL HOME

The many friends of Lieut. Emile Rassez, a Lowell man who is serving the French colors in the European conflict, will be pleased to learn he will soon return to his home in this city, for his class will be discharged from the army according to news received in this city today. Lieut. Rassez is in the territorial reserve, class 45 and it is understood that three classes will be discharged, classes 43, 44 and 45. This was considered a wise move by the French military authorities because of the fact that most of the men in these classes have large families to care for and during their service the French government is obliged to provide for their subsistence. It seems that in this war France is having all she can do to attend to the soldiers without caring for their families. Lieut. Rassez was one of the first to leave his home and during his sojourn in France he has had thrilling experiences. In one of his letters sent to his family he stated he escaped from the German army after having been captured and walked nearly 100 miles to join the French army. He is believed to have served with the French army well and about Nov. 10th and a couple of weeks later he will be back to his family in Lowell. It is expected that another Lowell reservist, Auguste Solasol, who left this city with Lieut. Rassez, will also return to Lowell, for he is in class 45.

HAS WON SCHOLARSHIP

EVERETT E. HARRIS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP WORTH \$175 AT PHILLIPS-EXETER ACADEMY

Master Everett E. Harris, son of Dr. Harris of Chelmsford Centre, has won two scholarships at the Phillips-Exeter academy amounting in all to \$175. Master Harris has served as Chelmsford correspondent for The Sun for some time and is a very bright boy.

FUNERALS

LAJEUNESSE—The funeral of Eudine Lajeunesse took place this morning from his home, 136 South street. High mass of requiem was celebrated at Notre Dame de Lourdes church at 8 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Magnan, O. M. I. The bearers were Joseph and Patrick Lajeunesse, Charles Brothers, Richard Lajeunesse, Charles Brothers, and Claude Gardner. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Leon Lamothe, O. M. I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

ROPER—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Roper took place this morning at 8:30 from her home, 147 Congress street, and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was sung at 9 o'clock by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O. M. I. The bearers were Geo. Willett, Augustus Palmer, James Melchior, John Lawler. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Fletcher. Among the floral offerings were: Willow from the family, and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Hart and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leavitt and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Palmer, railroad employees, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chambers, Miss Carrie Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Willett, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Palmer, Mr. Frank Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scoble, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drenth. The funeral was in charge of C. H. Molloy.

In the account of the funeral of Mrs. Rose A. McGee, yesterday, among the floral offerings should have been mentioned a pillow inscribed "Wife of Mother" from husband and son, and a standard cross from Patrick Bourke, brother of deceased.

FUNERAL NOTICE

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Another Sale of ROAST PORK

SMALL PIG PORK, 8 lb strips,	15c	FRESH PIG'S FEET	6c
PORK SHOULDERS, 4 to 6 lbs.,	12c	PORK CHOPS (nice and lean)	15c
PORK KIDNEYS	9c	PORK BUTTS	14c

SMALL PIG'S HEAD	10c	SWEET PICKLED SHOULDERS	12 1/2c
SMOKED SHOULDERS	12c	SIRLOIN STEAK	20c
LEGS OF LAMB	12 1/2c	SIRLOIN ROAST	15c

SUGAR

The best, being finely ground it has good sweetening quality. Have all you want.

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15c, 20c and 25c Each

LARGE WREATHS.....10c EACH

Large White Grapes

5c Lb., 6 Lbs. 25c

PRUNES

Large and Fancy 3 lbs. 25c

SEEDLESS RAISINS.....10c lb. PEACHES—New Dried.....3 lbs. 25c

Lemon and Orange Peel

15c Lb.

SPECIALS

POTATOES—Best Green Mountain,	14c pk.	ONIONS, large	20c pk.
SWEET POTATOES	6 lbs. 25c	SUGAR—Have all you want	5 1/2c lb.
BREAD FLOUR, best kinds	85c bag	CHICKEN, fresh killed, 3 to 4 lbs.	20c
Small Bags Bread Flour	7 lbs. 27c	FOWL, fresh killed, 3 to 4 lbs.	20c
Best Pastry Flour	70c bag	FOWL, fresh killed, 5 to 6 lbs.	17c
		FOWL—2 to 3 lbs.	15c lb.

NEW CANNED GOODS

Raspberries	12 1/2c	Swift's Borax Soap	7 for 25c
Karo Syrup	8c	Lenox, 9 bars	25c
Corn	8c	Welcome, 7 bars	25c
Tomatoes	8c	Polo, 10 bars	25c
Peas	8c	Fels Napha, 6 bars	25c
Salmon, pink	10c	Lighthouse, 7 bars	25c
Salmon, red	15c	Star, 6 bars	25c
Sardines	4c	Star Powder, 6 pkgs.	25c
Lemon Cling Peaches	15c	Lighthouse Powder, 4 lb. pkg.	17c
		Ivory, 6 bars	25c

TEA and COFFEE

Yuri Oolong	25c lb.
Formosa Oolong	25c lb.
Orange Assam	25c lb.
Irish Tea	40c lb.
English Breakfast	25c lb.
Bulk Cocoa	15c lb.
Lowrey's Cocoa, 1/2 lb. can	14c
Dandy Cocoa, 1 lb. can	22c
Warnetta Cocoa, 1/2 lb. can	5c, 1/2 lb. can 12c
Good Coffee	18c lb.
Arbuckle's Ground Coffee	20c
Yours Truly	1 lb. can 25c
Drinks Coffee	30c

LARD

ARMOUR'S COMPOUND

20 lb. tubs	\$1.75
10 lb. pails	\$1.00
5 lb. pails	.55c
3 lb. pails	.33c

SWIFT'S SILVER LEAF LARD

20 lb. tubs	13c lb.
10s pails	\$1.30
5s pails	.65c
3s pails	.40c

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE

Peanut Butter	12c lb.
Process Butter	30c lb.
Woodlawn Creamery	30c lb.
Daisy Creamery	30c lb.
Vermont Butterine (2-3 butter)	26c lb.
Butterine, Prints	14c
Big Brown Eggs	25c doz.
Meadow Grove Eggs	30c doz.
Brookfield Eggs	35c doz.
Fancy Cream Cheese, 20c lb.	
New Cheese	15c lb.

VEGETABLES

Pickling Onions	15c pk.
Canada Turnips	2c lb.
Peek	25c
Carrots	2 1/2c lb.
Parsnips	3c lb.
Best Squash	2c lb.
Cranberries	5c qt.
Boston Lettuce	2 for 5c

SALT PORK

Bean Pork	13c lb.
Thick Fat Pork	15c lb.
Lean Brisket Pork	16c lb.

BEANS FRUIT FISH

Red Kidney Beans, new, qt.	10c	Large Sweet Oranges	20c doz.	Irish Mackerel, each	5c
New York Pea Beans, qt.	10c	Fancy Lemons	15c doz.	Large Mackerel, lb.	10c
German Green Peas, qt.	10c	No. 1 Baldwin Apples	15c pk.	Salt Salmon, lb.	10c
German Yellow Peas, qt.	10c	Baldwin Apples 10c pk.		Salt Herring, big	3 for 10c
Cranberry Beans, qt.	10c	New Figs, large pkg. 10c		Salt Herring	2 for 5c
California Pea Beans, qt.	14c	New, English Walnuts, 18c lb.		Boneless Codfish, lb. pkg.	8c
Lima Beans, lb.	8c			Boneless Codfish, loose	3 lbs. 25c
Rex Beans, 2 lb. cans	9c			Smoked Bloaters	2 for 5c
Campbell's Beans, 2 lb. cans	9c			Smoked Herring, box	12c
Rapid Beans, 3 lb. can	9c				
Kidney Beans, 2 lb. cans	8c				

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PROTEST RATE INCREASE TO ENFORCE NEUTRALITY TO CALL ALL FRENCHMEN

COMMUTERS OPPOSE INCREASE IN PASSENGER RATES ON B. & M. RAILROAD

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Commuters allied the hearing room of the public service commission today to protest against a proposed increase in passenger rates on one way tickets and abolish the five, ten, 50 and 100 trip tickets. Charles M. Burr, for the railroad, explained that the passenger fares on the road were inconsistent. There have been a multiplicity of forms, due to the many ticket forms which existed before the small leased lines became a part of the main system. He said that if the new schedule was adopted rates would be advanced in some localities and reduced in others.

Many commuters protested against any raise and some claimed that the fares were no higher than in other parts of New England.

ATTEMPT TO SAVE FRANK

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 17.—Further effort to get the United States supreme court to review through habeas corpus proceedings Leo Frank's conviction for the murder of Mary Phagan will be made by his attorneys late today, according to the president's statements.

CRUISER TACOMA SAILS FOR CHRISTOBAL—CARRANZA'S FORCES OPEN FIRE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The cruiser Tacoma, ordered to the Panama canal zone to enforce neutrality, left Guantánamo, Cuba, today for Cristobal.

CARRANZA GARRISON FIRMS

NACAO, Ariz., Dec. 17.—The Carranza Garrison at Naco, Sonora, opened fire with artillery early today on the encampments of the Maytorena heister. The evident effort to provoke a reply from Maytorena failed up to 3 o'clock.

MILITARY OBSERVERS ON THE AMERICAN SIDE, however, believed Maytorena ultimately would be forced to renew the interchange of shots.

CHARLES H. RUTAN DEAD

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Charles H. Rutan, a member of the firm of Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge, architects of Chicago and this city, and associated for many years with the famous architect, F. H. Richardson, died at his home in Brookline today. He was born at Newark, N. J.

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—The following press information was issued this afternoon by the German official press bureau:

"Reports from Rotterdam say that the French minister of war will lay before parliament a bill calling out all Frenchmen fit for service between the ages of 18 and 52."

"At a meeting of the deputies of the department of the Seine Deputy Lavallee is reported to have asked that measures be adopted with the object of securing for French commerce benefits resulting from the present situation, otherwise Great Britain would become the only gainer."

"Prince Von Huelow, the former German Imperial chancellor, left here yesterday for Rome."

"Telegraphic advices from Petrograd byway of Bucharest, Rumania, say that in addition to the socialists all the radical members of the Russian duma have been arrested."

Thomas C. Lee Co. carried insurance on the household furniture of John J. Donohoe, 74 Agawam street, damaged by fire Wednesday.

RUSSIA AND HER PEOPLE

Graphic Description of the Great Empire and its Races and Grandeur

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Showing how Russia is larger than the entire continent of North America, with the islands of the Caribbean thrown in; how it occupies three-fifths of Europe and two-fifths of Asia; how its Asiatic possessions are one and a half times as great as those of China and three times as great as those of Great Britain; how it comprises one-sixth of the land area of the globe and one-tenth of the world's population, Gilbert H. Grosvenor, director and editor of the National Geographic Society, has just furnished the nearly 500,000 members of that organization with a striking pen picture of "Young Russia—A Land of Unlimited Possibilities."

After giving an impression of the diversity of the origin of its peoples, who come from the Orient and the Occident, the frigid north and the tropic south; of its range of climate, which gives the palm beach touch to its Crimea and the breath of the north to its White sea region; of its vast agricultural wealth; of the widely varying aspirations of its peoples, which differ as greatly as those of the Poles and the Mongols, as those of the Caucasians and the Jews, as those of the Russians and the Lapps; and of the vastness of the geographic limits of the empire, Mr. Grosvenor says:

"But with all its geographic greatness Russia is about as poor in natural outlets to the world as the smallest of the countries of the earth. It could be taken in the vast reaches of the Russian plain, almost as a needle in a haystack, yet Amsterdam does more international business than all the ports of Russia together. Not one free outlet to the open sea does European Russia possess except on the ice-bound shores of the Arctic ocean. The path from the Black sea to the Mediterranean leads through the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles held by alien hands."

Mr. Grosvenor next shows how there lives within the boundaries of the Russian empire enough people to duplicate the population of Germany, Great Britain and France combined, with enough left over to duplicate half the population of Austria-Hungary. Furthermore, if Russia grows from 1912 to 2000 as she grew from 1871 to 1912 her population then will be upward of six hundred million.

He then continues: "From such a record of size, of bigness in everything, we should expect Russia to be an old nation, like Great Britain, with perhaps a thousand years of unbroken growth behind her. But as a matter of fact, Russia is a youth among nations compared with England, a stripling whose full stature and breadth is still a subject of conjecture and speculation."

"Russia is young because she never has had a chance to grow until recent years. Her geographical shape or position has been such that centuries her people were constantly being enslaved or despoiled by stronger neighbors."

After dealing briefly with Russia's remarkable history, especially with the surprising reign of Peter the Great, Mr. Grosvenor shows that when Alexander II. freed the 50,000,000 serfs of

Russia he released from bondage a population equal to that of the 13 leading states of the United States, and a population more than 12 times as great as was freed by Lincoln's emancipation proclamation not very many months afterward. Alexander bought 150,000,000 acres of land for them, permitting them to buy it from the government on easy terms. He thereby carried into effect the most extensive piece of agrarian legislation in history.

"Each village conducts its own internal affairs through town meetings and not through elected or appointed officials. Their lands are held on the common ownership basis, and are apportioned out for cultivation from time to time."

"With the bulk of its crops raised by the peasantry, and for the most part, employing most primitive means of farming, Russia is still able to produce a very large proportion of the world's food supply. In 1913 it gave to civilization nearly a fourth of its wheat, a full fourth of its oats, a third of its barley and more than half of its rye. That year its wheat crop was 200,000,000 bushels greater than our own. Its oat crop equaled ours, its barley crop was three times as great as ours, and its rye crop 25 times as large as ours."

"Russia has more horses than any other nation on earth, with 38,000,000 as compared with our 24,000,000; more sheep than any other nation, with 60,000,000 as compared with our 50,000,000; nearly as many cattle, with 51,000,000 as compared with our 50,000,000."

"The latest authoritative information on Russian educational conditions, that for 1908, shows that only 211 out of every thousand people in the empire could read and write, and there were two illiterate women for every illiterate man. With our hundred million population, in 1912 we had an enrollment of 19,215,000 school children, with her population of 172,000,000 Russia's total enrollment was 7,370,000, and 23 of these were boys for every 10 who were girls."

"And yet the first woman civil engineer in the world was a Russian, and the educated woman of Russia enjoys a freedom equal to that of her kind in any other country in the world. They are even allowed to become professors in men's universities, and after 23 years of service are retired on pensions, which continue during the lives of their husbands. If they are married and are survived by the heads of their houses."

"The czar of Russia is a well paid ruler. He receives the revenues from the Russian crown lands, and their area is equal to that of one-third of the United States. Several years ago the imperial treasurer is reported to have advised the czar: 'Your majesty need have no fear of ever coming to feel the sting of poverty. Financially you are solvent. With one hand you could buy out the American multi-millionaires, Morgan and Rockefeller, and still have enough left to talk business with Baron Rothschild.' It is said that the czar was displeased at the flattery of the holder of his purse-strings. Whether the story is apocryphal or not it does not misrepresent the czar's wealth."

"I have seen the famous cathedrals of Europe—the noted structures of France, Germany, England, Italy and Turkey—but was utterly unprepared for the splendor and brilliancy of St. Isaac's at Petrograd, with its pillars 50 feet high of lapis lazuli and its malachite altar rails of solid silver, containing half a ton of this precious metal, and its icons of pearls, studded with huge diamonds, sapphires, emeralds and rubies."

"His religion is very real to the Russian, and his God is really omnipresent to him; he sees His spirit everywhere, and everywhere acknowledges it with the sign of the cross and the words, 'Oh Lord! have mercy,' or 'Glory be to Thee, Oh Lord.'"

Mr. Grosvenor also brings out the surprising fact that Russia has in the neighborhood of 35,000,000 men between the ages of 18 and 44 inclusive, and that it annually has about 1,400,000 boys reaching the age of 15."

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IN TOWN OF BILLERICA

News of Busy Village—New Parish House for St. Andrew's—Other Items of Interest

Who will be the next chief of police of the town of Billerica?

This question is being discussed in the town at the present time and no less than a dozen names are being mentioned as candidates for the position. While the townspeople are hounding their favorites, the three selections are quietly awaiting developments and have little to say on the matter of appointing a new police chief.

As far as can be learned no applications have been sent to the board of selectmen as yet. This would be an unnecessary move, however, as the selectmen have no power in the appointment until a list of eligible candidates has been submitted to them by the civil service commission.

The commission has not been notified of the vacancy as yet, it seems, and in the meantime Roger Barrington is serving as a temporary successor to Deputy Sheriff Martin Conner, chief of the town police.

Among the candidates who will take the examinations are Charles Bradley, driver of the rural delivery mail wagon;

Charles Kemp, a wholesale beef dealer; Henry O'Brien, north superintendent; Edward O'Connor, employed at Talbot's mill and a special police officer; and John J. Mcweeney, proprietor of the Billerica Express company.

Boston & Maine Repair Shops

A change has been made in the running time of the Boston & Maine repair shops. The big work train now leaves this city at 7:30 o'clock in the morning, arriving at the shops a few minutes before 8 when the day's work begins. The shops are in operation until 5 o'clock in the afternoon making an eight hour day. This schedule is in vogue five days a week, no work being done on Saturday except in cases of emergency.

St. Andrew's Parish House

The committee in charge of raising the fund for the new parish house of St. Andrew's church is still busy and it is reported that a large sum is already in hand. The parish house will undoubtedly be located near the North village instead of on the other side of the river where the church now stands. Building operations will be started in the spring and the house will be ready for occupancy before the end of the summer.

The building of the parish house in the village means that the new church building—which is being considered by the parishioners—will also be in the heart of the town so that the members of the congregation will not be put to such an inconvenience to attend the services. The present church building has been used for nearly 100 years, it having been built as a meeting house by the church people of Billerica Centre. Since then it has been removed to North Billerica and has been renovated many times but it is thought that a new church will be built in another year or two to accommodate the flock that is growing larger each year.

Whist Tournament
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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

KEEPING A ROOM TIDY

"It seems as though I never could keep our living room in order," complained Marie as she came upon Marie putting to rights her aunt's living room where she had just finished unwrapping a huge number of packages the result of Madame's shopping tour.

"Why not make a 'catchall' like this one hanging inside the closet door? It will help very much in keeping your living room tidy."

"Tell me how to make one and I will do it at once," enthusiastically broke in Marie.

"It is very easy," answered Marie. "If in every living room there were a handy receptacle for odds and ends of oft-wanted-in-a-hurry things would not be thrown into a waste paper basket and finally upon an ash heap?"

A sort of catchall that is inconspicuous as well as ornamental, and which may be hung up, is made by deeply folding a circle of material of about a yard's diameter with some of the same material.

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ments at the Father Matthew T. A. society and lively contests are scheduled for each week during the winter months. At this week's meeting of the society two applications for membership were received and accepted.

A meeting of the committee of the Matthews which is to act in conjunction with the Old Timers at the New Year's dance, will be held at Father hall Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Christmas will be appropriately observed in the churches of Billerica and committees are now diligently at work preparing programs for the Christmas services. In all churches, appropriate sermons will be given and special musical programs will be rendered.

At the North Billerica Baptist church, there will be two Christmas trees heavily laden with presents on Christmas eve. Santa Claus will be present and an entertainment consisting of singing and recitations will be furnished by the children of the Sunday school. Previous to the exercises a supper will be served by the ladies of the church.

Billerica Grange
The last meeting of the year of Billerica Grange, No. 224, was held last evening in Grange hall with a large attendance of members. The work of the past year was reviewed and showed that many important objects have been accomplished. The present officers discussed lessons learned during the past year while the officers-elect spoke on plans for the future.

"These two edges are next separately bound in order to keep them firm and the two layers are then partitioned into six pockets labeled distinctly: 'Lining,' 'Inside paper,' 'Trails,' 'Lead pens,' 'Tacks,' and 'Memorandum pads,' leaving the seventh and larger pocket formed by the center of the main circles for heavy wrapping paper."

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"The catchall is pretty in printed creases, figured damask, embroidered crash or any of the substantial fabrics of which utility bags are made. Its hand bindings may be of a silk, wool or linen weave, or of tinsel group. If the bag is in upholstery damask or plush."

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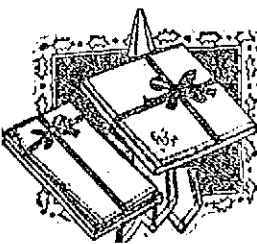
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WARNS NAVAL VESSELS

IN SO DOING THAWLER WAS BLOWN UP AND WERE KILLED—UNABLE TO COLLECT

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A peculiar case was decided in the Grimsby county court in a claim brought under the workmen's compensation act against the owners of the Grimsby trawler, Kilmarock, by John Risdale, chief engineer of the vessel.

The Kilmarock left Grimsby on Sept. 22 on a fishing expedition, sighted some floating mines, and went in search of a warship to warn naval vessels. In so doing, the Kilmarock struck a mine and blew up. The skipper and five men were killed, and John Risdale was so injured as to be totally incapacitated.

It was urged by the owners that Risdale could not recover compensation as his injuries were caused by the vessel striking the mine of an enemy at a time when the vessel—by diverting its course to act as a messenger to the navy—had ceased to follow its ordinary occupation. The court upheld the defendants' contention.

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ROLLER SKATING CONTEST STAGED IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NEW YORK



ARTHUR LAMMAY, JACK WOODWORTH, JACK MOFFATT, WILLIE BLACKBURN

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Roller skating races have been revived in New York after a lapse of some years. Starting Wednesday night with sprints and winding up with a twenty-four hour race, starting at 10 p. m. Thursday and ending at the same hour Friday, in Madison Square Garden, the contest brought together some of the best known skaters in the country. Among those who were entered are Arthur Lammay, Jack Woodworth, Jack Moffatt and Willie Blackburn.

WENT DOWN WITH SHIP METCALF'S TRIAL

TURKS REFUSED TO LEAVE SHIP SUNK BY RUSSIAN WARSHIP NEAR KERASUNT

PETROGRAD, Dec. 17.—It was officially announced today that the steamer Derwent of the German Levantine line was found wrecked off the Turkish coast near Kerasunt and sunk by a Russian warship after all on board the merchantman had been ordered to leave. Only two Turkish officers and 12 soldiers obeyed the order and the others went down with the ship. Kerasunt is a strait of the Asiatic Turkey, 70 miles west of Trebizond on the Black sea.

Efforts to Have Several Counts in Indictment Dismissed Failed

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 17.—Efforts of the defendant's counsel to have a number of counts in the indictment dismissed failed today at the trial of Edward P. Metcalf, former president of the Atlantic National bank and Henry D. McKay, a New York broker, both charged with participating in the alleged misappropriation of funds of the bank.

The court in denying the motion noted an exception for each defendant. It also reserves the right for the lawyers to renew their motion at the close of the testimony for the defense.

BIG DEMAND FOR GRAIN

INFLUENCED FARMERS TO SOW RECORD AREA OF WINTER WHEAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Influenced by the prospective heavy demand for grain by the warring countries of Europe, American farmers this fall have sown a record area to winter wheat, which the department of agriculture today estimated at 41,263,000 acres.

This is an increase of 1,125,000 acres over the area sown last fall and on which the record crop of 584,500,000 bushels of winter wheat was harvested this year. The area sown in 1913, 40,138,000 acres more than was harvested this year. The condition of winter wheat on Dec. 1 was 88.3 per cent of a normal, against 97.29 last year, 93.2 in 1912 and 92.3 the 10-year average. Rice was sown this fall on 2,851,000 acres, an increase of 75,000 acres over the revised estimated area sown last fall.

TO STRENGTHEN ARMY

SENATOR LODGE INTRODUCES BILL, EMBROIDERING SECRETARY GARRISON'S PLAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Senator Lodge of Massachusetts today introduced a bill embodying Secretary Garrison's plan for strengthening the regular army.

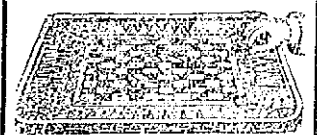
\$155,000 RECEIVED

For the Wellesley College Building Fund During the Past Month, Was Made Known Today

WELLESLEY, Sept. 17.—It was announced at a public today that \$155,000 had been added to the Wellesley college building fund during the past month.

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Baseball Game Board, Checkers, Dominos and other popular games.

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to you, which becomes a positive assurance if you exercise the same forethought and care in buying your Christmas dinner that you do in choosing your gifts. We are entitled to your patronage by virtue of the fact that you get a little more for your money here than elsewhere. Never in the history of our business have we been able to give you more value for your money than today and as an added inducement for the Holidays we are going to sell you goods at ACTUAL COST, which will be our Christmas present to the public. Is not this worthy of your consideration? You will wonder why you never came before. QUALITY AND PRICE ARE OUR BEST SALESMEN, AND 10 TO 25 POUND TURKEYS ARE OUR SPECIALTY.

SUGAR, [5 Lbs. to a Customer] 5c Pound

TURKEYS

No. 1 Fresh Killed Turkeys, Young Tom and Hen Turkeys will weigh from 10 to 18 lbs. 20c up

No. 2 Fresh Killed Turkeys, lb. 15c

Fresh Killed Chickens, lb. 15c up

Fresh Killed Fowl, lb. 15c to 18c

No. 1 Heavy Roosters, lb. 15c up

Geese, lb. 15c up

Ducks, lb. 15c up

Lamb Chops, lb. 15c

Legs Lamb, lb. 16c

Fores, lb. 10c

Tip Sirloin Roast, lb. 14c

Whole Sirloin Roast, lb. 13c

Roast Beef, 5 rib cut, lb. 14c

Prime Roast Beef, lb. 16c

Chuck Roast Beef, lb. 12c

Best Sirloin Steak, lb. 20c

Best Rump Steak, lb. 25c up

Top Round Steak, lb. 20c

All Round Steak, lb. 18c

Vein Steak, lb. 20c

Porterhouse Steak, lb. 28c

Whole Pork Loins, lb. 14c

Small Pork Loins, lb. 14c

Fancy Cuts, lb. 15c

Roast Pork Blades, lb. 14c

Cuts out of Country Pigs, lb. 14c

Pig Ham, lb. 15c

Fresh Shoulders, lb. 14c

Smoked Shoulders, lb. 14c

Sweet Pickled Shoulders, lb. 13c

Whole Hams, smoked, small, lb. 16c

Sweet Pickled Hams, small, lb. 15c

Fresh and Pickled Beef Tongue, lb. 15c

Always in Stock.

Fancy Corned Beef 10c up

Spare Ribs, lb. 10c, 12c

Salt Pork, lb. 13c

Fancy Corned Beef, Spare Ribs and Salt Pork. Special Prices to Boarding-houses.

New Renovated Butter 30c lb. Fresh Newly-made Butter, just in 32c lb. Fox River Creamery 30c lb. Yorkville Creamery, in 1 lb. cartons 34c lb. Fancy Fresh Eggs 20c, 30c doz. Supreme Eggs 32c doz.

USE THE BENNISON GOLD AND SILVER CLEANSER It Cleans Without Rubbing

When you use the Gold and Silver Cleanser the dreaded half day of cleaning your silverware becomes but a pleasant half hour. Tarnished silverware is full of disease germs, and many cases of sickness are caused by the daily use of it.

Without rubbing or scrubbing, the tarnish disappears, the original brightness is restored and neither your silver, your temper, nor your fingers will suffer, when you use "rub-on" preparations. Tarnish powder or acid paste polish.

It makes no dust, mess or odor. No paste or powder accumulates in the crevices or in the depressions of embossed or engraved work. There is no rubbing to wear or scratch the finest plate. Your silver will look better and last longer by using.

21c Box for 21c

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Bell's Foultry Dressing 9c, 3 for 25c New Pack Seeded Raisins 9c pkg. Seedless Raisins 11c pkg. Sage 5c pkg. Savory 7c pkg. Marjoram 7c pkg. Campbell's Soups— Tomato, Vegetable and Chicken 7 1/2c can Nene Snak Mince Meat 8c pkg. Heinz Mince Meat, large jar 45c Cinnamon 8c pkg. Ground Cloves 9c pkg. Allspice 6c pkg. Whole Nutmegs 25 for 5c Mace 5c pkg. Snider's Ketchup 16c pt. bot. Australian Relish 9c, 3 for 25c Plum Pudding 5c pkg. Sunbeam Mince Meat 6c pkg. D'Zerta Jelly, all flavors 6c pk.

VEGETABLES

New Potatoes, pk. 12 1/2c 15c Delivered \$1.15 Bag Delivered

Turnips, 2 bushel bag \$1.50

Onions, 2 bushel bag \$1.50

Boston Market Celery 10c

Winter Cranberries, qt. 5c

Squash, lb. 1c

Onions, pk. 20c

Lettuce, 2 for 5c

Spanish Onions, lb. 5c

Apples, pk. 10c

Carrots, 2 lbs. 5c

Parsnips, 2 lbs for 5c

Yellow Turnips, lb. 1c

White Turnips, 3 lbs. 5c

Pickling Onions, pk. 15c

Beets, 3 lbs. 5c

Spinach, pk. 15c

Kale, pk. 8c

Sweet Potatoes, 12 lbs. 25c

Quinces, pk. 30c

Red Cabbage, lb. 3c

New Cabbage, lb. 1c

Red Onions, 3 lbs. 5c

FRUIT

SPECIAL!

A CAR OF GOLDEN SWEET RUSSET ORANGES

From the famous McGruder Orange groves of Orlando, Fla. Mr. McGruder, the owner, is also proprietor of the Grand Hotel Orlando, Florida. These oranges are consigned to us to be sold on commission and are the finest that the state of Florida can produce. We will sell them at 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c Per Dozen For the Holidays

Grapefruit, fancy, 2 for 5c Bananas, doz. 10c, 12c Lemons, doz. 3c Malaga Grapes, lb. 7c Tokay Grapes, lb. 5c

FLOUR

Muskeeter, Ben Hur, Greylock, Old Home, Millburn, Telephone and Searchlight \$6.50 Bbl., 85c Bag Pastry Flour, bag 70c

FISH

Fresh Salmon 10c lb. Large Mackerel 20c, 25c Sword Fish 12 1/2c lb. Fresh Herring 6c lb. Fresh Halibut 12 1/2c lb. Butterfish 8c lb. Large Mackerel 10c Finnan Haddie 3c lb.

QUIMBY'S CANDY

Absolutely Pure Christmas Ribbon Candy in 1 and 2 pound boxes. 12c and 23c Special Christmas Box of 80c Assorted Chocolates, new and fresh. For the holidays. 85c Quimby Assorted Chocolates, in 1 pound boxes. 25c 1 pound Christmas Box Assorted Chocolates. 23c Martique, Cherries 29c Swiss Milk, Chocolates 35c Full Cream Caramels 35c Old Fashioned Chocolates 35c Chocolate Peppermints 17c Peanut Butter Crisp 17c Assorted Chocolates 12c Smyrna Layer Figs 15c and 17c Smyrna Puffed Figs 18c

ALL FRESH

Mixed Nuts 14c Pecans 14c Castanas 14c Philadelphia 9c Filberts 14c English Walnuts 15c

NEEDS OF SEA DEFENCES

FISKE SAYS "ADEQUATE" NUMBER OF SUBMARINES MIGHT HAVE REPELLED GERMANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—An "adequate" number of British submarines might have repelled the German cruisers which raided the British coast yesterday, Rear-Admiral Fiske, aide for operations, told the house naval

committee at today's hearing on the needs of the sea defenses.

"If the British had had a sufficient number of submarines they could have stood off the cruisers," said he. "If the German vessels were being fast, however, it would be very hard for submarines to stand them off. If they had a dozen or 15 submarines at first, the British would have been pretty hard to locate."

Admiral Fiske thought that judged by the situation abroad, the United States was as well prepared today for control of the sea as ever before.

He thought the United States navy

was not as well prepared because other nations have been using ahead in naval affairs much more rapidly.

More than 400 women, many of them wives of prominent manufacturers in New York, have pledged themselves to work during the coming winter to reduce the problem of unemployment.

SHIP BLOWN UP

Austrian Training Ship Struck Mine—All on Board Lost

LONDON, Dec. 17.—In a despatch from Rome the correspondent of the

Central News says:

"A Trieste official has announced the blowing up by a mine and the sinking of the Austrian training ship Beechoven, with the loss of the crew and all the cadets on board."

Girls of the Royal Danish Ballet in Copenhagen are reluctantly handicapped owing to their inability to secure dancing shoes manufactured in Paris.

Mrs. Bertr is Missouri's only woman sheriff, but will only hold office until a successor is chosen to her husband, who was killed in making an arrest.

LOVE BANDIT ROBBED TWO CINCINNATI BANKS

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 17.—(By wire.)—A love bandit, who is believed to be operating alone, a bandit terrorized the West End business section of Cincinnati yesterday, robbing two banks within a radius of two blocks of each other, and then retreating to the cashiers of one bank, and at the cashiers of the other and dashed off in an auto. It is known that he obtained \$5000 in the first bank, the bank and branch of the Provident Savings bank, and the effects of the second bank, which he entered up there, too, but refused to state the amount.

While the police were endeavoring to trace the bandit after his appearance at the Provident bank, the report reached them of the robbery at the Liberty bank. The same tactics which had proved successful at the Provident bank were employed by the bandit at the Liberty bank, the only difference being that in the latter case he shot Cashier George Winters, probably seriously wounding him.

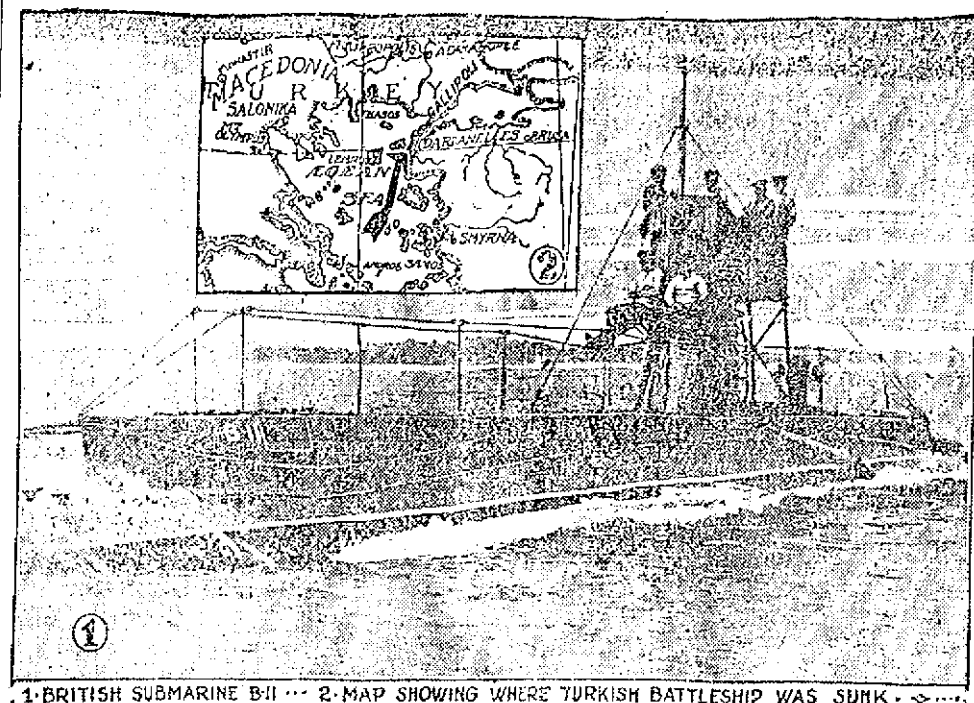
After a pistol duel with three police men, one of whom he wounded, the automobile bandit was captured later, but not until one of the policemen's bullets had found its mark in the bandit's body.

Both the policeman and the bandit were removed to a hospital, but the policeman is believed to be recovering, while the bandit is still in a serious condition.

The bandit had rented a room yesterday in a West Ninth street apartment house, and the owner of the apartment house, having been informed of the robbery, called the attention of the police to a shadowy figure of appearance whom he had seen at the room and upon opening the door were surprised with pistol shots. The policeman fell wounded, and the bandit, jumping past the other two officers, fled to the street and reentered his automobile which was standing in front of the house and fled. His flight proved unavailing for him, however, as he crashed into a pole, bounding the car, and the bandit was forced to get out and started to run, but the officers by that time were close upon him and after an exchange of shots the bandit dropped.

Following an investigation, a physician at the hospital said that the policeman, Kaul and the bandit probably would die. Both were shot four times.

FEAT OF ENGLISH SUBMARINE B-11 AGAIN PROVES POWER OF UNDERWATER WARFARE



1-BRITISH SUBMARINE B-11 2-MAP SHOWING WHERE TURKISH BATTLESHIP WAS SUNK

Special interest was manifested in the United States when the British navy accomplished its first submarine feat of the war, and probably the boldest naval exploit since the beginning of hostilities, because it was revealed at Washington that not one of the American battleships was submarine proof. It was brought out at the House committee inquiry that none of the warships had double bottoms to protect them from underwater attack. The English submarine B-11 entered the Dardanelles and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Mesoudieh. The Turkish vessel was sunk and the British submarine returned to the fleet unharmed, thus again demonstrating the effectiveness of the submarine. A remarkable feature of this most thrilling achievement was the fact that the submarine dived under five rows of mines in making her way to a point within striking distance of the Mesoudieh. The little vessel also ran the gauntlet of gunfire and escaped pursuing torpedo boats by remarkably skillful navigating. At one time her crew had to undergo the ordeal of remaining submerged for nine hours. She was in command of Lieutenant Commander Norman B. Holbrook, who is only thirty-two years old. The B-11 was built in 1905, carries sixteen men and has a maximum draft of twelve feet. Above water she has a displacement of 280 tons and a speed of thirteen knots; below a displacement of 213 tons and a speed of eight knots. She is armed with two eighteen inch torpedo tubes fore and aft. A little more than 200 miles of straits consisting of the Dardanelles, the sea of Marmora and the Bosphorus, control of Mediterranean with the Black sea and separate European Turkey in Asia. Turkey, through the treaty of Berlin of 1878, has the right to close these straits at her pleasure to the warships and commerce of all nations. The same treaty also revived Russia's fleet in the Black sea, abolished after the Crimean war in 1856, but prohibited its use elsewhere without the consent of Turkey.

from the eastward of Cracow and on their left front by a movement directed from the south.

The report that the Austrians are following up the retreating Russian army from the south shows in the opinion of the military observers that the Russians are being forced upon their forces in western Poland.

Whether this retirement will extend to the Russians massed in the north of Poland will depend upon the events of the next few days.

The report of the withdrawal of the German column, which advanced through Mawa, northern Poland, indicates that the Russians recognized in time the menace to their right flank. The old positions, reassumed by the Germans are strongly fortified and in the belief of military critics can be held for a long time under normal conditions even against a greatly superior force.

The German offensive in North Poland appear to be proceeding according to program, reports from the front say without disarrangement by the Russians.

That the Austrians were obliged to evacuate Belgrade after having retired before the Serbian army to the south-west of Valjevo point to the advance of unexpectedly strong Serbian forces. The assumption also appears justified that the Austrians may possibly have withdrawn troops from Serbia for use in west Galicia, trusting to chance that the Serbians were incapable of a further decided offensive.

BERLIN REPORTS CRUSHING OF RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE AGAINST SILEZIA

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—(By official statement, issued this afternoon, the German war office announced one of the most important victories of the war in the crushing of the Russian offensive against Silesia. The statement follows:

"The Russian offensive against Silesia and Posen has completely broken down. In the whole of Poland the enemy was forced to retreat after fierce and stubborn frontal battles. The Russians are being pursued everywhere."

Army headquarters today issued the following statement:

Yesterday the French continued their attacks at Neuport without success. Attacks were attempted at Zellebuck and La Bassee but were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.

The intention of the French to throw a bridge over the Aisne at Soissons was prevented by our artillery.

French earthworks to the east of Rheims were destroyed.

Some goods are still very scarce and high in this country, like chloroform, of which belligerent countries have placed a rigid embargo to conserve supplies for their battlefield hospitals.

Carbolic acid is also high and scarce, due somewhat to its wide use as a disinfectant, but principally to the fact that Germany had, by the development of an extremely efficient chemical process, obtained a practical monopoly on the supply, and the destruction of her commerce shut off the great volume of the world's supply.

On the other hand there have recently been sharp declines in soda-benzoic, potassium permanganate, citric acid, etc., principally due to American manufacturers taking more interest in the production of these materials, which in normal times they surrendered to the cheaper European manufacturers.

The receipts of English goods are coming in well and are practically back to normal; occasional cargoes from Germany through Rotterdam are helping out in some of the extremely short stocks; and French goods are coming better, although they still hold at about 10 per cent. advance over normal prices, principally accounted for by higher ocean freight rates and higher rates of interest.

A few things are now extremely cheap, being stocks which dealers grabbed up when the war panic first broke and everyone was buying wildly at ridiculously high prices, often accumulating outlandish profits for which their business had no need.

With the return of calmness these unjustly acquired stocks have been back on the market at sharp declines. The general adjustment to normal prices, however, is looked on as encouragingly healthy, and while collections are slow and promise to be for some time to come, a broad and gradual improvement is looked for to start in soon after the turn of the new year—by March, at least—developing into a fair spring business, increasing to positively good by the fall, and continuing so, with occasional drops, for the next three or four years.

Conditions in the general chemical trade, however, are kindred and often confused with the drugs are also quiet, although dealers do not attribute the stagnation nearly as much to the war as to "the program at Washington."

Nor is it solely the tariff reductions and business reforms and supervisions, that have been accomplished or sought by the present administration, which the chemical men complain at in their strictures against the Washington program. They emphatically include in that term the food and drugs laws, the insecticide acts, label, packing and storage laws and others which are put into effect by the preceding administration.

What with these restrictions, added to the complicated by both state and municipal taxes and regulations, the chemical manufacturer and dealer has now become so muddled into confusion, that he is unable to attend to the necessary collection of the business for his life at all his life for fear of breaking some new strange law.

So far as the war effects go, these have been very modestly eradicated, being with a few exceptions, confined to normal levels from the war level to which they mounted in the first few weeks of the European trouble.

Some dealers reaped a considerable harvest from the panic which struck the buyers, disposing of long accumulated stocks, for which there is little or no normal demand, at hand some prices.

One arable and gum tragacanth are scarce and high, and acetate of lime, the base of acetone, has recently become very active, with advancing prices, probably from the fact that acetone is largely used in the composition of war explosives, acetic acid and the prestylo auto illuminants.

Some considerable supplies are coming from Germany, as well as England and France, the straightening out of foreign exchange having cleared the situation wonderfully, and in the competition in getting normal supplies from the former country is now the entire absence of letters of credit, the transactions having to be financed by indirect methods through Copenhagen.

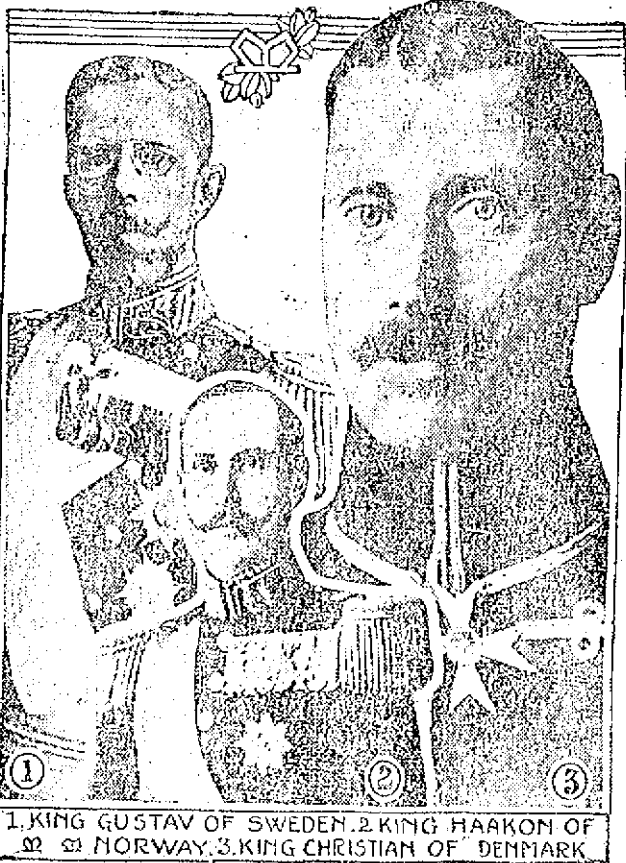
WIRELESS FROM BERLIN

Reports 31,000 Russians Captured in West Galicia and Other German Successes

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—(By wireless to Sayville.)—A statement given out today by the official press bureau says: "The Austrian general staff reports that 31,000 Russians have been taken prisoners in West Galicia."

"The first actual successes against the Russians in the last few days appeared to have achieved by the Austrians in West Galicia. Here the Russians, according to advices received from the zone of hostilities, have been attacked simultaneously from two sides on their right by an offensive

KINGS OF SWEDEN, NORWAY AND DENMARK TO AGREE ON WAR POLICY



1-KING GUSTAV OF SWEDEN. 2-KING HAAKON OF NORWAY. 3-KING CHRISTIAN OF DENMARK

By invitation of King Gustav of Sweden, King Haakon of Norway and King Christian of Denmark agreed to visit him at Malma, southern Sweden, today and tomorrow. The three kings arranged to be accompanied by their secretaries of foreign affairs and secretaries of state to discuss affairs of common interest which have arisen as a result of the war and especially measures for helping the economical situation in Scandinavia.

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Values Mark Down

Our mark down of values has been a great success. We shall continue this sale till every fancy suit and overcoat of men's, youths' and children's are all gone. Make yourself a Xmas present at your own price. A saving of \$2.00 to \$5.00 on your purchase. It is up to you to get your share. We need the money, so come in and examine the values we are selling. Our furnishing goods department is loaded with Xmas suggestions—Fancy Suspenders and Ties in Boxes, Fancy Hosiery, Gloves, Shirts, Umbrellas, Sweaters in quantity and values. For Caps and Shoes. Come in and see what we give you at \$1.00 in a full line of leather shoes worth \$2.50. Celebrate your Xmas by buying your needs at the house that sells values.

Roy & O'Heir
88 PRESCOTT ST. FACING MARKET ST.
The Little Store With the Big Trade

THE Function of the Teeth is Most Important—Bad Teeth Cannot Perform it.

In the mouth takes place the first and most important step in digestion, and the only one over which we have perfect control. The teeth perform a very important function for they grind up the food and mix it with saliva, and the latter has an equally important function, for in the act of mastication all foods containing starch must be converted into sugar before they can be absorbed and carried into the circulation. This change is performed by one of the ingredients of the saliva, and unless the food is thoroughly chewed, the saliva and other digestive juices of the mouth, stomach and intestines cannot act upon every morsel of food and extract therefrom the nourishment necessary to the maintenance of strength and energy.

Improperly chewed food is improperly digested and results in dyspepsia, indigestion, gastritis, poor nutrition and a host of other serious internal disorders.

The importance, then, of having GOOD TEETH cannot be overestimated and it is a pity that there are so many people who do not know that the CAUSES which give rise to BAD TEETH can be PAINLESSLY CURED by my N.A.P.-A-MINT method and their teeth saved and made sound.

Visit my offices and let me explain in detail the merits of my Porcelain Nap-a-Mint treatment. Consultation and examination free.

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MUSIC CABINETS

Special values in door front mahogany and birch mahogany finish Music Cabinets, from \$6.50 to \$12.00 that would make a good holiday gift.

Adams & Co.
174 Central Street.

Cook, Taylor & Co.

MERRIMACK STREET STORE

Everything New, Clean, Fresh and Up-to-the-Minute in

Christmas Goods

A very large stock to select from. We have just bought out a number of odd lots of Ladies' Fine Serge Dresses, Ladies' Fur Muffs and Collars, Children's Fur Sets, Children's Angora Sets, Children's Dresses, Dolls, Men's Ties, Bath Robes, etc., at about half the original prices.

HERE'S YOUR PRICE LIST ON A FEW

- 11 Ladies' Fine Long Silk Plush Coats, warranted linings, always sold for \$18.00. \$10.99
- 21 Ladies' Fine Persian Lamb Long Coats, best lining, square or round fronts. Well worth \$15.00. \$9.99
- About 46 Ladies' and Misses' \$12.50 Long Boucle and Cloth Coats, all sizes, best materials, all colors. \$8.98 Each
- Ladies' Fancy White Striped Chinchilla Coats, from \$9.00, \$3.98
- 2 Electric Seal Fur Coats, best material, best lining and best-made garments—
- 1 size 38, Marten collar and cuffs, from \$85, now. \$42.50
- 1 size 38, plain, \$89 coat, a rare bargain. \$39.00
- About 27 out sizes, for stout ladies, in very choice materials, all colors, plain and mixed. Sold up to \$25.00. Sizes up to 51. For \$12.50
- 50 Ladies' Very Choice Sample Suits. Sold up to \$22.50. For \$10.00
- About 25 Ladies' Fine Messaline Silk Dresses, all colors, from \$10.00. \$3.99
- About 14 Fine Crepe de Chine Dresses. Fit guaranteed; all colors. Sold up to \$18.50. This sale. \$10.00 Each
- 100 Children's \$2.50 Fine Serge Dresses, all shades, at \$1.69 Each
- 39 Children's Little Wool Sets—Jackets, Leggings and Caps—Sold for \$2.50. This sale—no boxes. \$1.69 Each
- Children's Little White Dresses, Hamburg trimmed, from 25c to 15c
- Over 20 styles in Infants' Little White Dresses, 25c, 50c, 75c, 98c and Up
- 20 dozen Ladies' Heavy Fleece Lined Gray Wrappers, all sizes, "Ideal" make, seconds. Well worth \$1.00. 69c Each
- Over 2000—The finest assortment of Ladies' choice "Ideal" made House Dresses, in fine gingham, chambray and percale. Sizes up to 53; choice line of colors of every description. Come to headquarters. From \$1.00 Up
- 50 Ladies' Fine Serge Dresses, pure wool, prettily trimmed, all shades. From \$6.50. \$3.69
- Sweaters for men, women, children and infants. The best line and lowest prices in Lowell.
- SPECIAL—Men's or Ladies' Heavy Shaker Knit Sweaters, all colors, pure wool. Well worth \$4.50. \$2.99
- Ladies' Sweaters, all colors, worth \$2.00. \$1.39
- Boys' and Girls' Pure Wool Sweaters, with collar or without. Value \$1.50.98c Apiece
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A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"A fight with two ounce gloves for a purse of \$250 is reported to have taken place Tuesday morning in a barn near Nashua, on the Lowell road between Joseph Flaherty, of Lowell and John Develle of Nashua. Develle won in 10 rounds."

The Flaherty brothers, Tom, Joe and Martin were celebrated boxers in their day, Martin achieving a national reputation. Tom and Joe have both passed away but Martin is very much alive and is engaged in the laudable business of keeping other men alive, for he is the "Bully" Muldoon of Lowell, though far more accommodating than Muldoon, for it is necessary to journey out to White Plains, N. Y., to be treated by Muldoon while Martin treats his patients at home. Upon retiring from the prize ring Martin Flaherty took up the study of the theoretical side of physical culture and osteopathy, having had years of experience with the practical end of it and at present is busily engaged in that line of work and to many is known as "Dr." Flaherty. Columns could be written about Martin's career in the ring and later life. A few incidents of the days when as a sporting editor, he followed Martin around the ring. But just now let me tell you of how Martin and Joe slipped one over on the city marshal and the sports of Nashua, long ago. It was almost 25 years ago, Joe had been boxing in the vicinity of Lowell and was well known while Martin had just returned from the ring to the up-country sports. "Joe" was advertised to box one Dan McGivern of East Boston, at the Nashua Opera house, a barn-like hall over the depot in Main street, on a Thanksgiving afternoon. The match was to be of 15 rounds for the gate receipts. On the morning of the holiday Joe received word that McGivern would not make his appearance. The bout had been well-advertised in the up-river city and it seemed a shame to lose money on it. Then it was decided that Martin and Joe appear and do a friendly sparring match, and they certainly could do a special for boxing stunt. But one of the real-wise advisers said: "Say, Martin, nobody knows you in Nashua. You go up there as McGivern and fake it with Joe. Of course it will be a draw and nobody will lose anything by betting and the bunch up there won't know the difference." Thus it was decided and each accompanied by a bunch of Lowell sports went to Nashua by different routes and introduced themselves about town for a couple of hours preceding the time for the bout. When they appeared in the ring they immediately started a fake warlike about the weight but finally agreed to go at it after calling each other pal names. They sat in their corners glaring at each other like two strange bull-dogs, and the late City Marshal Eaton, who was at the ring-side, after seeing them up remarked: "I think there's bad blood between these two fellows, but if they start

anything rough, I'll stop the bout; that's all there is to it."

The referee was a Lowell man who, of course, was in on the deception. When the time came to start the hostilities the referee cried out: "Shake hands."

"Shake, nothing," growled Martin. "Not on your life," said Joe. "Up jumped the city marshal and he said: 'You fellows shake hands, or you don't box.'"

Slowly approaching the center of the ring with their heads averted the brothers suddenly extended their gloved hands until the tips touched and that was the hand-shake. Then they started, and talk about a corking fight they fought it until the Nashua bunch were yelling "foul" like a bunch of madmen.

In response to each cry of "foul" the referee calmly remarked: "That foul was unintentional and didn't jeopardize the other man's chances." Then he'd admonish the offender against repeating the infraction of the rules. At the conclusion of the third round they kept on banging away at each other after "time" had been called, and the city marshal was half-way over the ropes before they were taken to their corners. It went along until the seventh round, one of the best "scraps" ever seen in Nashua, and in the seventh the marshal thought it was getting too rough and he decided to stop it. One of the Lowell men sitting beside him said: "Sit down, they're only foaling; they're two brothers."

The city marshal felt deeply insulted to think that anyone would take him for such a rube as to believe that the two men apparently trying to knock each other's heads off were brothers, and he jumped into the ring and stopped the bout while the referee declared all bets off on account of police interference.

The Nashua sports unanimously declared it to be the best fight they had ever seen and the city marshal declared that if anyone named Flaherty or McGivern attempted to pull off another bout in his domain they'd wind up in the cooler.

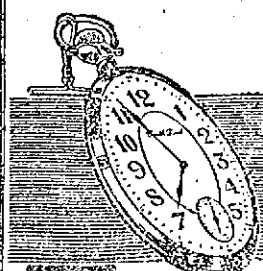
After the crowd had departed Martin and Joe presented themselves before the city marshal and similarly allowed that they slept in the same bed. For a moment the marshal was lulled to rest, the deception practiced upon him but then he rained and remarked: "Well, you're the best pair of fakers I ever looked at."

Fire Department Appointments

In its report of the meeting of the board of appointment of 25 years ago the current week, the old Sun had the following:

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GERMANY'S NAVAL DASH

In spite of the attempt of the British admiralty to minimize the significance of the German bombardment of Harborough, Scarborough and Whitby, it will be regarded by the entire world as one of the momentous incidents of the war, and in all probability it will have an effect in shaping the future naval and military policy of England. It is out of the question that Germany should have planned and executed such a daring feat without some ulterior end in view, as the actual results were too slight to justify the risk. Germany must have known that the bombardment would stimulate English recruiting, and it is but natural, therefore, to assume that Germany expects some result which shall overbalance the renewed English naval vigilance and increased enthusiasm, shown by the flocking of hundreds of young men to the recruiting stations.

There is every reason to suppose that Germany's main end was to create some lack of confidence in the minds of the people of England who have been led to believe that England is mistress of the seas and that no foreign foe could come near enough to offer her violence. Should this lack of confidence be generated by the German attack, the English masses would in all probability demand that more of their soldiers be kept at home for the protection of their own country instead of being sent to the continent to aid the armies of France and Belgium. As England has relied almost entirely on her navy for national defense, comparatively few soldiers have been kept at home, so that, to strengthen the land defenses, troops would have to be withdrawn from the continent. As seen by Germany, therefore, it is very probable that it had the battlefields of Flanders in mind when it sent its fast cruisers to shell the coast of England.

Again, the German attack may have an effect in changing the naval policy of England—a policy, by the way, which has been attacked by some strong British interests at several times during the war. Unless greater protection is given the coast towns and cities—and those along the east coast call for the greatest degree of protection—a strong feeling of apprehension will be generated throughout the entire country. With the proper weather conditions there seems to be no reason why Germany cannot at will repeat the success of Wednesday, a fact which will keep the coast people of England in terrible suspense until the admiralty reassures the English people of their readiness for future emergencies of the kind. Surely England will not take kindly to the statement that the naval policy will not be changed while there is a possibility of a German fleet coming from Kiel through mined seas and under the noses of English fleet and foot guns to throw death and destruction into English coast cities.

From the English point of view it is very well to assume that the bombardment by the German cruisers will stimulate English recruiting, but this looks rather like a laborious searching for the silver lining. Far better that recruiting should be boosted in some other way.

This sortie by the German fleet will serve as a warning to England to be prepared for other attacks of a similar kind at widely distant points. The German ships evidently made good use of their spies in selecting the most vulnerable points on the coast of England. They had the pathway cleared of mines for this special dash across the North sea while the British ships dare scarcely move lest they be blown to atoms by mines. Germany's game has worked in her favor thus far but as the German onslaught in the Pacific was followed by swift retribution, we venture the prediction that similar retribution will follow in this case and that despite German strategy and German courage the German fleet will soon receive a staggering blow from their British rivals. It takes some time to stir the blood of the Briton but when he becomes thoroughly aroused he is a personage of dogged disposition and wonderful resource. There will be a sequel to the bombardment sortie that will fully vindicate the honor and efficiency of the British navy.

PENROSE FOR PRESIDENT

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania is restriction, been agitated in congressional circles. President Taft has vetoed it on one occasion, but it is of the type that will crop out again, even if not favorably known throughout the country in connection with the corrupt republican machine of Pennsylvania and his presidential boom is launched by no less a paper than the *Blairsville Courier*, which for influence, prestige, political precedence and journalistic ability will stand as rival to the *Longtown Banner*, the *Franktown Times*, the *Blairsville Eagle* or the *Clapperton Gazette*. Blairsville has a population of 5,000 and the *Blairsville Courier* being the leading paper of the town must have a guaranteed circulation of over 500. The privilege of giving the primal impetus to the boom for a presidential candidate was certainly a red letter event for the *Courier* and it is duly proclaimed in flaming letters on the front page of that distinguished organ. That must certainly give Mr. Penrose a great boost. It is the first year of the Penrose campaign and the echo is more resounding than that of the 42 centimeter siege guns of the German army. The *Courier* recounts the political triumph of Senator Penrose, the evils of democratic rule and the need of putting up a shipshape tariff wall to keep out foreign goods. This claim voiced from the home of political corruption fails to note the fact that at the present time there is no foreign competition. The republican theory of keeping out imports and of having the home market all to ourselves is having the most complete application ever given it. We see the result and yet Senator Penrose, who doubtless wrote the article in the *Blairsville Courier*, says that the sole trouble with the country today is democratic rule and the low tariff. Senator Penrose would rehabilitate the old republican party, restore the tariff and the high tariff that sheltered them. Then the brand of politics that prevails in Pennsylvania would bloom again and be extended all over this country under the benign influence of President Penrose and his official organ, the *Blairsville Courier*, guaranteed circulation over 500.

THE LITERACY TEST

It is well that, in anticipation of a great influx of immigrants from Europe after the war, this country should seek to regulate the inflow so as to safeguard American industrial and social institutions, but as on former occasions, the wrong method is being pursued by those who are agitating the bill containing the much discussed literacy test clause. Twice be-

fore has this bill, or one with a similar restriction, been agitated in congressional circles. President Taft has vetoed it on one occasion, but it is of the type that will crop out again, even if not favorably known throughout the country in connection with the corrupt republican machine of Pennsylvania and his presidential boom is launched by no less a paper than the *Blairsville Courier*, which for influence, prestige, political precedence and journalistic ability will stand as rival to the *Longtown Banner*, the *Franktown Times*, the *Blairsville Eagle* or the *Clapperton Gazette*. Blairsville has a population of 5,000 and the *Blairsville Courier* being the leading paper of the town must have a guaranteed circulation of over 500. The privilege of giving the primal impetus to the boom for a presidential candidate was certainly a red letter event for the *Courier* and it is duly proclaimed in flaming letters on the front page of that distinguished organ. That must certainly give Mr. Penrose a great boost. It is the first year of the Penrose campaign and the echo is more resounding than that of the 42 centimeter siege guns of the German army. The *Courier* recounts the political triumph of Senator Penrose, the evils of democratic rule and the need of putting up a shipshape tariff wall to keep out foreign goods. This claim voiced from the home of political corruption fails to note the fact that at the present time there is no foreign competition. The republican theory of keeping out imports and of having the home market all to ourselves is having the most complete application ever given it. We see the result and yet Senator Penrose, who doubtless wrote the article in the *Blairsville Courier*, says that the sole trouble with the country today is democratic rule and the low tariff. Senator Penrose would rehabilitate the old republican party, restore the tariff and the high tariff that sheltered them. Then the brand of politics that prevails in Pennsylvania would bloom again and be extended all over this country under the benign influence of President Penrose and his official organ, the *Blairsville Courier*, guaranteed circulation over 500.

If there is one, and on good authority that President Wilson is opposed to the literacy clause on the ground that it is not a test of quality, and it is therefore probable that he will refuse to give it official approval. His reasons for disapproving it seem up to the arguments in a nut shell. The literacy test is certainly not a test of quality and it might easily nullify much of the good in our present immigration without removing any of the evils. Insofar as this country has suffered from the immigration of recent years, the undesirable immigrants were not, in most cases, those who could neither read nor write; they were the sick social disturbers with advanced tendencies drawn from the books of radical European agitators. The undesirable emigrants have generally been able to read and write, and to speak most convincingly into the bargain.

Following the war in Europe there is every probability that a great wave of emigration will turn in this direction. We can assimilate the best in it, but rather than make distinctions in favor of those who can read a few words, it were better that we had no limitation. Our immigrants will not aspire to positions where education counts for much and we do not need their required brilliancy nearly as much as we need brawn, physical strength, domestic virtue and determination to make a home and to provide for those dependent on the newcomer. Let us keep out the social disturber; the vic-

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OUR NAVAL SHORTAGE

The testimony brought out by the House naval committee in Washington, thus far, in the course of the present inquiry into our naval affairs, reveals two prominent facts, viz: that the administration has never sought to conceal any activity or effects of inactivity in the conduct of the navy, and secondly, that we are by no means in first class condition. Taken together, these facts prove that we must go back further than the present regime to find the source of the trouble and that we must improve our equipment unless we are to retrogress. The inquiry also proves that political agitators on such subjects are as unwise as they are injurious.

One of the most surprising admissions is that made by Asst. Secretary Roosevelt that we are "from 20,000 to 50,000 men short of the needs of the navy, as laid down in the confidential war plans of the war college." Judging from the published policies of Secretary Daniels since he assumed the secretariatship of the navy, everything possible has been done consistent with efficiency, to make the life more attractive for our young men. Yet, the navy is short of men while in all our cities hundreds of boys either loaf aimlessly or work under far more disagreeable conditions and for less wages. In the navy of the present, a young man may, if he be ambitious, prepare for a prosperous future by applying himself to one of the trade courses, and the government does everything in reason to make his life pleasant and liveable. Still, there is no need for alarm as the "preparedness" issue does not apply in this country with the same force as to the powers which are now at war. The government should remedy the apparent defects, but sanely and without inflaming popular passion.

BLEASE'S RECORD

While the agitation concerning pardons is in the air it will not do to overlook the unprecedented pardoning record made by Governor Blease of South Carolina, who, during the past three years, has pardoned 1439 criminals and who now announces that on Christmas day he will set free the last 50 remaining in the penitentiary. The people of South Carolina may or may not be exceptionally pious, but it is questionable if they will look with approbation at the wholesale turning loose of murderers, thieves, and every form of criminal on the community, to grace a governor's holiday. Still, they cannot consistently blame anybody but themselves, for Blease is governor by popular choice and when popular choice runs mad, what can we expect? Luckily even the radical element of a state that does not show up in an enviable light has fired off the amazing official who is about to retire to private life. But, in opening the modern Bastille what horrors may be not pile up for South Carolina for the next few years? Some things are form.

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YOUNG CUCKOOS ARE JEALOUS

The English cuckoo, like the American cowbird, leaves its shrill egg in the nests of birds much smaller than itself, like the hedge sparrow, the pied wagtail and the meadow pipit. When the young cuckoo—a veritable giant in comparison with its nestmates—is a few days old, it pushes its companions out of the nest and thus becomes the sole object of the care of its foster parents.

A DIPLOMATIC TIP

At a time when it was thought that Germany wanted to get a foot-hold in Holland, Belgium and the Dutchman's door stood watching a review of the German army. As a well-scrubbed body of men marched past, the Dutchman said: "Fine soldiers, but too short." Then came the Grenadiers, between six and seven feet tall; nevertheless the Dutchman's comment was the same as before: "Fine soldiers, but too short."

"What does your excellency mean?" asked the Dutchman.

"I mean that we can flood Holland eight feet deep," replied the ambassador.

HADN'T SEEN THEM

A correspondent from Cheshire, England, says: "I came upon a small boy not long ago who was moodily fishing with an improvised rod and hook in the shallow waters of the canal. I cannot but believe that he will make a great fisherman some day, for he seemed to have the deepest perseverance necessary for the craft. But he paid no attention to me at all but merrily pursued the matter in hand. 'What are you doing?' I asked him at last, fishing for snails, he didn't know," he replied, dearly, "I've never caught any yet."

GOT WHAT HE WANTED

Two venerable theologians in an upstate town were very friendly, despite their different beliefs. One, who was about 70, was an Episcopalian, while the other, who was slightly younger, was a Presbyterian. The professor of the Presbyterian church in that town had always liked to be addressed as "Father N." Having not used to this title in conversation with the Episcopalian, he used it several times in speaking to the new rector, who did not want to be addressed that way. Several times he asked the Presbyterian to omit the title in his direct conversation, but

make it hard for us to believe that we live in a civilized land. Blaise is one of the things.

REFORESTING WASTES

Few people realize that practically one fifth of the territory of Massachusetts is waste and unproductive land giving no return in crops to its owners and little or no taxation to the state. The Massachusetts forestry association is aiming to transform this waste area into forest lands under state auspices, aided by state funds. The association is seeking to interest the different communities in the possibilities awaiting development, urging that the waste sections adjoining the various cities and towns could be made productive of excellent returns with a comparatively small investment. It is argued that the systematic cultivation of forests as a commercial proposition would relieve the burden of taxation and keep the price of lumber low, thus reacting to the advantage of the man who strives to build a home of his own. As compared with other countries, Denmark and Germany in particular, it must be admitted that this country has not made the most of its forestry and industrial opportunities. The large unproductive stretches in this state are a reproach that should be blotted out.

ACTION NEEDED

If the administration has erred in its Mexican policy, it has not been on the side of too great activity, for in a landable desire for peace there is a tendency to let argument take the place of action. A few days ago when an American force was dispatched to the Arizona border to prevent further outrages against American life and property, public opinion commended the move. Now, however, there is a danger that it may result in nothing more positive than the temporary stay of our troops at Vera Cruz. When the American troops got to the border, there was no apparent change in conditions, and the threat to shoot back was not carried out. Now our administration is parleying with the Mexican officials, restraining from the punishment that was threatened. There are times when prompt action is absolutely necessary, and this seems to be one of them.

NEUTRALITY SPIRIT FORGOTTEN

It seems that a good many people in this country, chiefly college professors and clergymen, have forgotten all about President Wilson's appeal for the observance of neutrality. The controversies over the war, its causes and its probable effects, are being carried on daily by public speakers and public writers. If this country is to keep neutral these polemical orators should be less prominent and less one-sided in their addresses. The German professors are much more outspoken on the causes of the war which, of course, in their opinion, rest anywhere else than with their own country or its peace loving emperor. The war should not be carried into this country in any form.

without result. One day an explosion came.

One day, Doctor B. said the venerable but frail doctor, "I have been asking you to stop calling me 'father.' If you do it again, I shall call you 'mother' and if you do it a third time, I shall call you 'grandmother.'"

"The Great has the desired effect."

A MARGIN OF BUTTERMILK

You may boast of your drinking for this and a day.

You may talk of the "nectar of gods."

Sure there'll be like the drips of a faucet for me.

By a margin of buttermilk home in Killef.

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The church was there and the margin in swing.

And hither and beggar and peddler were free.

To drink "a halleluiah" beyond in Killef.

I can see the big dairy, with cracks full of cream.

As yellow as gold in an old miser's dream.

I can taste how the butter like angels gets sweet.

On top of the noggin at home in Killef.

A symphony fluttered its leaves by the hatch.

And swallows dwell year after year in the thatch.

And many a neighbor's tin bucket would be filled up in that dairy at home in Killef.

There was turf by the clump and hay in the byre.

There was butter in flitches, and room for the fire.

There was lashings and lashings "fla-joolah" and free.

With a "milk" bottle fetcher" beyond in Killef.

For sick of your wife and I'm sick of your life.

Your chauncy is muddy, your liquor is glue.

For the draught of us childhood is calling to me.

'Tis a margin of buttermilk home in Killef.

—Teresa C. Rayton.

COULDN'T FIND HIM

"Generally run down, Sir," queried the druggist. "Slightly, steady and want good tonic up."

The pale-faced customer nodded.

"Well, I've the very thing for you—Jenkins' Juvenator. Three doses a day and more if necessary. Fifty a bottle."

"No, thanks," said the pale patient.

"But, my dear sir, it's the rage of the day and the latest discovery of modern medicine. It's the rage of the season. Everyone is rejuvenating. See might."

"Yes, but I think I'd rather try something else," replied the customer.

"Juvenator," pressed the chemist. "I tell you, Jenkins' Juvenator will have more effect on you in a single day than any other medicine could have in a month. It cures everything from



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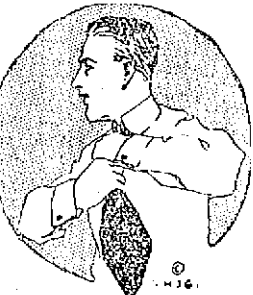
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couches to corns. What's your objection, to it?"

"Why, nothing, only I'm Jenkins."

ANOTHER GOAT STORY

A woman with 15 bundles boarded the street car the other afternoon when I was on my way to my suburban residence. She was a very pretty young woman. I felt sorry for her. She was returning from a shopping tour. Being a man with a kind heart, I helped her upon the car and piled her bundles about her. A man got on at the same time and took a seat on the other side of the young lady. When the car came to my street I was surprised to see her rise and reach to pick up her bundles. Instantly my sense of chivalry prompted me to help her off the car, and as I was going in the same direction, I asked permission to carry her 15 bundles. The man got off also and started on ahead. I was loaded down like a camel crossing the desert. In those packages she had everything from an electric flat iron to a five pound bag of prunes. We trudged along about a half mile. The man turned in at a gate. When we reached the gate the young lady thanked me and said:

"This is as far as I go. I live here."

"Just the man ahead of us, the man who came out on the car with us, turned in here, too."

"Yes," she said. "He is my husband but he hates to carry packages through the street."—Exchange.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

REDUCED IMMIGRATION

The war in Europe has had a marked effect in reducing the volume of immigration to the United States, the number of aliens arriving at New York during the month of October having been but 20,416 as compared with 131,146 in the corresponding month last year. Meanwhile there has been a steady flow of the residents of the United States from here to Europe ever since the war started thereby reducing materially our alien population especially in the field of unskilled labor—Fall River Globe.

WAR AGAINST SIGNS

The municipal art society of Hartford has begun a real crusade against the ugly signs that disfigure the landscape and blur the city streets with endless masses of color and screaming texts. Other cities have started such campaigns and some of them have been quite successful. The success of the Hartford effort depends upon the



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earnings of the workers, the support that they receive and whether the inspiration that inaugurated the idea has lasting power.—Meriden Journal.

REGARDING PARDONS

How long will it be now before a movement incubated in secrecy will be made for the pardon of Cooper, the Opan chaser of his rival for a woman's illicit favor? His death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment because of doubt, which the jury did not feel as regards the time of the crime, about his mental responsibility. In either view of the matter, of course, he could not be safely allowed at large. But sterner-sentimentalists will surely try to get him out, with a good chance of success if the weak-sister philosophy seen in the Hall case then prevails.—Worcester Post.

THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF WAR

It is all very well to talk about one man of one country being able to pick the throat of another. But it is noticed this year that the nation that can concentrate 10 heavy ships against the

enemy's five is the one that wins.—Kansas City Star.

PAUL TRAIN CREWS

The train crew agitation has been making its body blows in recent weeks and Connecticut gave it another poke Monday, when the public utilities commission, through specifying the number of brakemen to be carried on passenger trains, recommended no increase over the present number employed by the railroads operating in the state.—Hartford Post.

THIN ICE AHEAD

Soon thin ice will be glistering and beckoning children in all parts of the valley to the deadliest of death traps. It is idle to expect that youth, eager and unafraid, will resist the call. Pro-paredness through warning of the dangers that lurk in our ponds and rivers in the early winter season is very well, but better is the preparation of absolutely safe skating ponds within the limits of every town and city for the use of its children. The cost is not excessive and the reward in the saving of life to childhood will pay a splendid interest on the investment.—Ansonia Sentinel.

STORMY SESSION

Of the Federal House
of Representatives at
Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Dec. 15.—During a stormy all-night session of the federal house of representatives the speaker cited Joseph Home Cook, leader of the liberal party and a former cabinet minister, for gross insults to the chair.

In reply, Cook, amid liberal cheering, said the party declined to sit under a tyrannical speaker and the opposition thereupon left the house in a body.

Following their departure a motion was carried to suspend Cook until he apologized for his actions in the house. The clash grew out of a debate on the commonwealth bank bill.

SUGAR CONSUMPTION
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 15.—Nearly a quarter billion pounds of domestic refined sugar have been exported from continental United States during the three months ended October 31, 1914, or more than 160 million in excess of the entire exports in 1910, the high-record year of the last quarter century. Sugar exports in August amounted to 38,256,205 pounds; in September, 52,290,773; and in October, 138,872,656, a total for the three months of 229,419,634 pounds, against 41 million in the fiscal year 1913, 125 million in 1914, and 10 million in 1903. During the fiscal years 1913 and 1914 practically all the exports of sugar were refined from imported raw sugar and received a drawback equal to the duties paid on the raw sugar, less one per cent.

The unusually large exports of sugar in recent months lend interest to a comparison of the sugar consumption in the United States made by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce and published in the "Statistical Record of the Progress of the United States, 1906-1911," recently issued. In 1906 the sugar consumption of the country was about 1,000 million pounds, or 34.4 pounds per capita. It increased to 3,441 million pounds in 1914, or 114.4 pounds per capita. In that period Cuba has increased its contributions to the domestic market from 1,032 million to 4,827 million pounds; and the numerous territories of Hawaii, the Philippines, and Porto Rico have increased their shipments of sugar in 1914 to 241 million in 1913, from 311 million to 1,873 million pounds; while Europe, the Dutch East Indies, and other foreign countries have decreased their sales to this



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country from 1219 million pounds of sugar in 1889 to 24.4 million in 1914. Meanwhile the domestic product has grown from 342 million to 1,811 million pounds and the exports of sugar from 26 million pounds in 1889 to 97 million pounds in the year ended June 30, 1914, with a further growth to 230 million pounds in the three months ended with October.

118 "DUSTY" RHODES

Hoboes Are All Sentenced at Somerville to Jail For 16 Days After Pleading Guilty

SOMERVILLE, Dec. 15.—Yesterday was hobo day in the Somerville district court. There 118 "dusty" Rhodes were sentenced to jail for 16 days each on the charge of trespassing on property of the B. & M. road. Each of the "Knights of the Road" were fined \$10 after pleading guilty, and in default of that sum were remanded to the East Cambridge jail to work out the fine by serving 16 days each.

There is an interesting story connected with the arrest of the "dusty" Rhodes. During the quiet morning hours and while the temperature was dancing about the zero mark, Special officers Wallis and Newcomb of the B. & M. road wandered through the bridge yard at East Somerville, among

the nicely heated coaches and Pullman cars that were standing ready for service at daybreak.

As Wallis neared one particular train of Pullmans he heard peculiar sounds.

"What's that?" he asked Newcomb, to which the latter replied: "I dunno, but it sounds as if someone's sleeping around here."

"Someone?" responded Wallis. "Not one, but an army."

Straightway they entered the Pullman and there found in peaceful slumber two score "Knights of the Road" as happy as if in a downy bed at the exclusive St. Regis hotel.

The officers didn't disturb the slumbers. They continued their investigation, and visiting several ordinary passenger coaches discovered fully 100 more hoboes whose snores, rounded like a German battery in operation.

Securing the assistance of a number of brakemen and switch hands, Wallis and Newcomb secured an empty freight car, and, attaching it to an engine, returned to the bridge yard. The hoboes were then aroused and like a herd of cattle were driven into the box car. When all were safely locked within, the box car was dragged to the Union square station of the B. & M. and the hoboes were marched inside. After looking over the prisoners the officers gave orders to "fall in," and in lines of fours they were marched through the streets to the Somerville police headquarters.

To Lieut. Ray fell the duty of booking the prisoners, and it took him five hours to do the job. The defendants' ages ranged from 18 to 75 years; they represented a dozen nationalities, and when searched there wasn't 15 cents in change among the whole bunch.

HOBOS OF EUROPE

Grant Uplift in the Conduct of Kings Whose Powers and Duties Have Decreased in Importance

Generally speaking the kings of present day Europe are respectable, serious-minded young men with reasonable proclivities toward hard work. Most of them are of mediocre ability, and few, if any, unless it be Kaiser Wilhelm, has shown unusual ability or capacity which had he been born in lowly station, would have raised him to eminence.

Of the kings now to the fore, Franz Josef is the only aged one. He is in his 80's and so well-nigh worn out in body and mind that he does not count for a great deal in controlling the course of events within his kingdom. Respected and fairly well liked, he is borne along on the tide of ministerial sentiment.

The Kaiser, now in his middle 50's, has vision, power and learning, and regardless of any start he might have had in life probably would have become a man to be reckoned with seriously. The younger kings are Nicholas of Russia, George of England, Victor Emmanuel of Italy, Albert of Belgium, Gustaf of Sweden, Haakon of Norway, Constantine of Greece and Alfonso of Spain. They are a very fair set of men as men go, and certainly a great improvement on the old order of monarchs.

The business of kinging has been improved, not only more scientific

marrying, more of royal eugenics, but also by being made less important. Nicholas of Russia and Wilhelm of Germany exercise more direct power than any of their fellow rulers, most of whom, as the heads of dynasties,

are so restricted as to be monarchs in title only. They have their functions, of course, more or less useful and always highly ornamental, which they seem to be trying, in good faith, to perform to the honor and benefit of

their subjects.

Dynasties admittedly tend to give unity to national policy and cement the racial elements which, throughout history, it has been the effort of rulers to weld into national units; but as

peoples become better educated the uses of kings become fewer. Ultimately the dynasties will be scrapped and the great peoples will undertake to govern themselves.—Los Angeles Express.

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TERRIFIC FIGHTING WEST OF WARSAW

WARSAW, Russia, Dec. 17.—The fighting in the west of Warsaw is especially severe at points leading as far as five miles from the city. A great battle is in progress at Scharzew, 39 miles west of Warsaw. The German forces, which are pushing steadily in a southeasterly direction from Nowa, have managed after terrific fighting to win serious losses. It is reported to have been inflicted, to establish itself a quarter of a mile west of Scharzew.

The Polish campaign now centers at that point.

The German retreat was met at Scharzew by fierce resistance on the part of the Russians. The fighting

RESCUE OVER 100 MINERS

Annual Report of U. S. Bureau of Mines—24,975 Miners Trained by Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The saving of human life in the mines, the stopping of millions of dollars of waste of mineral resources of the country, and an inventory of the wastes that are contributing are given in the annual report of Dr. Joseph A. Holmes, director of the United States bureau of Mines, made public this week.

According to Dr. Holmes, the bureau has recorded its most notable achievement in the rescue of more than one

hundred million of miners at different disasters, and the rescue of many more miners by volunteers who have been trained in life-saving work by the bureau. The bureau's influence has further resulted in the establishment of rescue and first-aid stations at hundreds of mines throughout the country, and the director makes the statement that the trained rescuers connected with these stations will in the future save the lives of many men.

The total number of miners trained by the bureau has now reached 24,975.

Despite the efforts of the bureau of Mines, Director Holmes declares that the loss of life is far greater than it should be with the natural hazards of the industry, and makes a plea for more extended investigations on the part of the government. "The immediate motives for undertaking such investigations are obvious," says the director. "A sufficient number of men is that during the past year more than 2,500 men were killed and more than 100,000 injured in the mining and metal-lurgical industries of the country. One-half of these fatalities and three-fourths of the injuries may be regarded as preventable. The money lost from the accidents may be estimated at not less than \$12,000,000 a year, and this loss must be ultimately paid by the consumers of mineral products throughout the country."

The necessity for a more extensive use of safety appliances in the mines is shown by the statement that in the last five years, through lack of such appliances, more than 2,500 men have been killed in the mines and nearly 20,000 seriously injured.

The director comments upon the fact that in Kansas, Oklahoma, Indiana and Iowa many of the men employed in the mines to set off the explosives have lost their lives, and recommends that the shots should be fired electrically from outside the mine. "In many districts," says the director, "the methods of shot-firing employed are still so extremely hazardous that only the most reckless men are willing to act as shot-firers."

As showing the interest outside the bureau of Mines in the life-saving campaign in the mines, Dr. Holmes declares that the states are already expending in their work more than the federal government in all its investigations in behalf of mine safety. To give an illustration, Pennsylvania, with a yearly expenditure of \$2,000,000, has also shown that twelve individual mining companies have been organized, which is far more than are operated by the bureau of Mines.

In discussing the causes of mine disasters, Director Holmes says, "Not only have men been killed or injured from what are believed to be unnecessary electrical accidents in mining, but indirectly attention appears to have been responsible for mine explosions and

mines fires that have extensively destroyed both life and property.

"The improper use of explosives and the use of improper explosives have directly or indirectly caused a large share of the fatal accidents and serious injuries to the men. But fully as serious as the killing or injuring of several thousand men from this cause during the past five years has been the injury to the health of the miners from poisonous gases given off by the lamp-explosives used."

"Each day poor ventilation and resulting bad air injure the health of thousands of miners. In most of the metal mining states the statutory provisions are incomplete and inadequate, and there is the greatest disparity between them as to what constitutes sufficient ventilation to keep mine air pure. In fact, no adequate system of ventilation is generally in force today in the metal mines of the country."

The bureau, in addition to attempting to prevent the explosion of coal dust in mines, which has resulted in great loss of life, has been investigating methods that would stop such explosions after they had started. During the year, four such devices were perfected by George S. Rice, the chief mining engineer of the bureau, and patented for the benefit of the mining industry. Director Holmes refers to the development of these devices as probably the most important part of the year's work. The devices consist of barriers placed in the mine and loaded with stone dust. The explosion striking these barriers, the stone dust is

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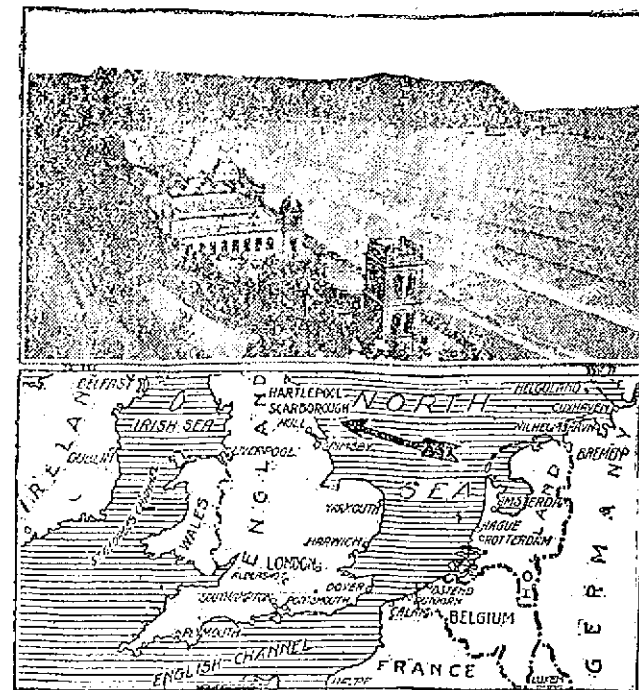
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The shelling of English cities on the North sea coast by German cruisers came as a bolt out of the sky to England. British warships at once pursued the daring German bombardiers and a great naval battle ensued. The feat of crossing the North sea to the English coast and destroying many buildings in the cities of Scarborough, Whitby and Hartlepool, all of which are about opposite the Kiel canal, is easily the most remarkable piece of recent naval news of the war.

thrown into the air and steps the further propagation of the explosion. It is felt that such devices would localize an explosion to the portion of the mine in which it started, and thus save the men working in other parts of the mine.

In the accomplishments of the year, Dr. Holmes calls attention to the statement of his engineers that, with an expenditure of \$15,000, they have brought about a saving of natural gas worth \$15,000,000 a year many times greater than the total cost of all the work done by the bureau during the four years of its existence. This was done by introducing better methods in the drilling for petroleum and gas. This waste of gas stopped totaled 250,000,000 cubic feet per day, equivalent in heating value to 17,000 tons of coal per day. In preventing the escape of this enormous quantity of gas, says Director Holmes, "another saving was made, the value of which cannot be estimated. The elimination of danger to human life from the escape of this gas into the atmosphere, which is well estimated the loss to this country each year in the development of the oil fields to be not less than \$50,000,000, and that a large part of this loss is preventable. The fact that the principal oil producing areas of the country are now believed to be well drilled," says Dr. Holmes, "and the fact that the next few years will see a constantly diminishing instead of an increasing production, unite in making imperative the need of extended inquiries."

Director Holmes also calls attention to the discovery of a process by the chemists of the bureau whereby rust, which is much sought for its supposed curative qualities, can be

produced at one-third of its present cost. With rust now selling at \$120,000 a ton, its reduction in price to \$40,000 will, it is said, result in many hospitals throughout the country being able to purchase a supply. The process devised by the bureau's chemists has already been tested with success in the plant of the National Radiator Institute, which is under the supervision of the technical staff of the bureau of Mines.

The bureau also claims that through its scientific method of purchasing coal by measuring the heat units the federal government has saved during the year \$200,000 and that the various cities of the country that have taken up this plan of buying coal have reported a saving last year of thousands of dollars. Director Holmes places the present waste of mineral resources of the country at the sum of one million dollars a day and declares that in a large measure this waste is unnecessary. "In one respect at least," says the director, "the consideration of mineral waste has a basis quite different from the consideration of agricultural wastes. Our crops represent an annual production from a reasonably permanent soil; our forests may grow again, though a much longer period of time is required; and the soils themselves may be reproduced from the subsoil and the rock beneath. But of our mineral resources we have only one supply. This supply is to a considerable extent destroyed by use, and at the present increasing rate at which we are using and wasting it our one supply of a number of these resources will be either exhausted or largely depleted while the nation is yet in its youth."

Referring to coal, Dr. Holmes says:

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Do you know how to ring in a fire alarm? Could you, should your dwelling catch fire, rush to an alarm box and call out the firemen with a minimum of delay?

There are many people in the city, who if called upon to ring in an alarm at night would be at a loss to find the box and then as to how to pull in the alarm. The installation of the new style alarm boxes, or keyless boxes, has evidently confused many.

During the past two weeks there has been one or two instances which showed plainly that many people do not realize what it meant to turn in an alarm and do it in a hurry. This week several people were clustered about an alarm box at an early hour in the morning and not one of them understood how to manipulate the simple mechanism and the alarm was finally given by a man running down to the nearest fire house.

The old style box, of course, has a glass front which must be broken first. Inside the box is a key which fits a lock and when this key is fitted to the lock and turned the alarm is automatically sounded.

The keyless boxes which are now coming into vogue and with which Lowell is partially equipped are opened by means of a handle set in the face of the box. This handle is turned to the right and pulled outward until the door opens. On the inside of the box is a hook and the alarm is given from a box of this description by simply pressing or pulling down the hook. The machinery can plainly be heard at work as soon as the hook is pushed downward.

In case a telephone is nearer at hand than an alarm box it is still more simple to call out the firemen. "Fire department—emergency," shouted into the phone will cause the helio girl to override whatever business the department may have over the telephone and immediately "plus" for your call.

The switchboard at the Palmer street station controls the entire circuit of fire houses. An operator is always on duty there at any hour of the day or night.

As soon as he receives the call and learns the location of the fire he sounds the alarm in the station house nearest the scene of the blaze and then over the phone tells the waiting firemen just where they are to go.

Great care should be exercised by a person sending a telephone alarm in giving the location of the fire. Several instances have occurred where an excited person has called "My house is on fire. For heaven's sake send the firemen here in a hurry" and then rang off.

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homes and property the best protection possible just remember these little things. Don't get excited and try to pull down the fire box and don't leave the phone until you have told the operator at the central station the exact location of the fire. Besides, there is not an interpreter at the central station and it will be necessary to speak English in order to be understood.

NEW CLERICAL TRANSFER

CATHOLIC CLERGYMEN ASSIGNED TO NEW POSITIONS BY CARDINAL O'CONNELL

The following transfers of Catholic priests have been made this week by His Eminence Cardinal O'Connell. Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan, of Rockport, has been made rector of the Immaculate Conception parish, East Westmouth.

Rev. William B. Whalen, assistant at St. Peter and Paul parish, South Boston, has been made rector of St. Joseph's, Rockport.

Rev. James P. Fitzsimmons, assistant at Stoughton, has been transferred to St. Peter and Paul parish, South Boston, and Rev. Patrick J. Scannell is appointed assistant at the Immaculate Conception parish, Stoughton.

Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan is a native of Lowell and belongs to the Riordan family of Gorham street in which there are two other priests, namely Revs. Joseph and William, located respectively at Midway and the cathedral, Boston. They are the sons of the late John and Mary Riordan and brothers of Mrs. McKennedy, for many years organist at St. Peter's church. Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan was ordained 24 years ago.

The dead: Lucius Alexander, a cripple, smothered in bed.

Chester Rawley, 18, son of rooming housekeeper.

The three injured were hurt in jumping from the second story of the building, a frame structure.

CARLISLE ELECTS CAPTAIN CARLISLE, Dec. 18.—Peter Cjacek was re-elected captain of the Carlisle Indian school football team last night. He is a Mission Indian from the California slopes and has played three years on the team.

KILLED IN BATTLE

Many French Senators and Deputies are War Victims

PARIS, Dec. 18.—There will be a number of empty seats in both houses when the French parliament meets on Dec. 22. Those of Senator Raymond and Deputies Pierre Gougeon, Edouard Nord and Paul Proust, who were killed in battle, will be draped in crepe.

There are a number of senators and deputies in the territory occupied by Germany and the French government has been trying to communicate with them through the Spanish embassy in Berlin but so far unsuccessfully. Among these members is the dean of the senate, Alfred Mesliere. Others in the occupied territory are Senators Charles Noel, Georges Ernaud, Charles Seblin, Joseph Delfosse, Gustave Dron and Auguste Poite, who are mayors of the cities they represent in parliament and remained at their posts. Deputy Pasquale, a territorial lieutenant in the active French army, is another who will be missing. He was taken prisoner at Maubeuge. Deputy Basley, the mayor of Lens will also be absent as he is believed to have been shot by the Germans.

REBELLION IS AT AN END

GEN. LOUIS ROTH, PREMIER OF SOUTH AFRICA, NOW ON A VACATION

CAPETOWN, Dec. 18.—General Louis Roth, premier of South Africa, considers that the rebellion, apart from the rounding up of a few stray bands is at an end. Accordingly, he has gone for a short vacation on his farm before undertaking a campaign against German southwest Africa.

TWO AMERICANS HELD

TAKEN IN CUSTODY BY MAYTOMENA TROOP AT FRONTIERAS, SONORA

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 18.—C. C. Lockhart and Michael Sutton, chauffeurs of Douglas, are being held prisoners and their automobiles have been confiscated by the Maytomena troops at Frontieras, Sonora, according to a report received last night by constitutionalist consul Maytomena. The matter will be investigated by the United States authorities.

According to the report, the soldiers who captured the chauffeurs asserted the men had a dynamite and machine gun in their cars for Carranza troops.

FOR NAVY MATERIAL Contractors Must Fulfill Their Contracts on Time or Suffer a Penalty

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Contractors for navy material must hereafter fulfill their contracts on time or suffer a penalty. Pursuant to his policy to end delay of shipwork, Secretary Daniels today ordered the paymaster general rigidly to enforce the clause embodied in all contracts and open purchase orders stipulating that if satisfactory delivery is not completed on time the paymaster general shall be at liberty to buy the articles at the contractor's expense, any additional cost to be collected from the bondsmen.

JOHNNY KLING WINS KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—Johnny Kling, of Kansas City, defeated Pierre Maupome of Philadelphia 50 to 33 in a ninety inter-state three cushion billiard league match last night.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES Capt. William P. White addressed the members of the Men's Fraternity of the First Congregational church last evening on the United States navy.

Capt. White discussed the navy's preparedness in the light of recent events in a most interesting manner. He urged that the navy be maintained in a constant state of efficiency and suggested that useless service be discarded and replaced by well thought out efficiency.

He proposed the maintenance of a reserve of officers and men over and above those needed for actual service so that the places of the active men could be rapidly and properly filled in time of need. He believed in a strong navy maintained systematically in its efficiency.

Previous to the lecture a palatable supper was served.

Union Service Rev. William Barlett, D. D., a former Lowell pastor, has been invited to preach a Christmas sermon at a union service of the seven Congregational churches to be held in the High Street church Sunday evening.

French Baptist The annual election of officers of the French Baptist brotherhood resulted as follows: President, Albert L. Meunier; vice president, Wilfred B. Maynard; secretary, E. C. Rannette; treasurer, Homer Davis; visiting committee, Esie Laporte and Telephore Des Forges.

The installation of the new officers will occur at the next regular monthly meeting, Jan. 13, 1915.

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BOUDOIR CAPS	West Section, 2nd Floor	XMAS TOWELS	Palmer St. Left Aisle

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Our Men's Wear Department, right next the East Entrance, will solve any perplexing question you may come to as to what to get for the men and boys. And every article in this section from a collar button to the highest priced bath robe will be cheerfully exchanged if "he" wishes.

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Every one in a proper package.	Flannel, Soisette, Cheviot and Madras.
SHIRTS.....69c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.95	SWEATERS.....\$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4, \$5 to \$6.50
And at every price. There are big selections.	All colors, medium and heavy.
STOCKINGS—	BATH ROBES—\$2.98, \$4.50, \$5, \$6.50 to \$10
15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.00	Many have slippers to match.
All colors and black.	MUFFLERS, SUSPENDERS, ARM BANDS,
GLOVES—	GARTERS, BELTS, CUFF LINKS, SCARF
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The Happy Animal.....25c Each	
Alie's Adventures in Wonderland.....50c Each	

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Brother Bob.....10c Each	Dainty Dorothy.....15c Each
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Christmas Umbrellas

One of the biggest showings in Lowell to choose from—including every style of handle, even the best grades of "RAIN SHED" coverings and our Umbrellas no matter what price you pay are guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction.



Special value in Ladies' Colored Silk Umbrellas, green, two shades of blue, two shades of red; very newest effects in handles, with heavy silk cord.....\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.50	Ladies' Umbrellas from.....\$1.00 to \$8.00 Each
Dick's London Club Handle in Ladies' 26 inch Umbrellas, green, red and black silk, heavy cord on handles; specially priced.....\$5.25	Children's Kiddo and Buster Brown Umbrellas, black only.....50c to \$1.00
Special value in Ladies' Gloria Umbrellas, in 26 inch, silk cover, black only; very new handle in the crook; and straight styles. Price.....\$2.50	Children's Colored Umbrellas, green, red and blue.....\$1.00 to \$2.25
	Complete showing of Men's Umbrellas from.....\$1.00 to \$10.00
	Our Men's \$1.50 Umbrellas, in the 28 inch, 8 ribs, with plain and trimmed handles, is well worth your inspection.
	All Umbrellas engraved free of charge during the holiday season.
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BANDIT WHO ROBBED TWO BANKS IS DEAD

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—The life of Frank G. Hohl, notorious automobile bandit, ended here yesterday after a daring three hours' career of crime, which included the robbing of two Cincinnati banks, the theft of an automobile and a pistol duel with police men that resulted with almost certain mortal wounds to one officer, and the death of the bandit.

Thirteen thousand and one hundred dollars was missing as the result of the bank robberies, and the police are confident that Hohl, in his wild automobile dashes, managed to pass the money to some confederate.

Hohl's last outburst started shortly after 10 a. m. yesterday, when he entered the West End branch of the Cincinnati Savings Bank and Trust company, first two shots at cashier Edward Hughes, who was in the line of duty, and then a third shot at a teller, which had been waiting and disappeared.

While the police were searching for the bandit more than an hour later, he entered the Liberty Banking and Savings company bank, 10 blocks away, fired two shots at cashier Thomas W. Smith, and again fled.

Almost two hours later Harry Hacks, horn, whose mother owns an apartment house on West 9th street, informed the police of the residence of a man who rented a room there yesterday with a description given of the bandit. When three policemen arrived at the room and knocked, the door was suddenly thrown open and the bandit opened fire. He then rushed past the officers, one of whom, policeman Edward Knoll, was probably mortally wounded.

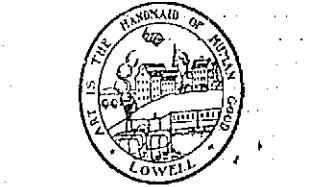
The desperado entered the automobile which was standing at a nearby corner, but in mounting it, the machine crashed into a telephone pole and was wrecked. The bandit jumped out and opened fire on the two officers who had pursued him.

In the fugitive that followed, Hohl fell with four bullet wounds in his body, and died shortly afterward at the hospital. He was identified by Hughes, later, other means of identification proved to the satisfaction of the police that the dead man was Hohl.

Hohl was well known to the police and was a fugitive from justice. The police claim that he shot an Altona, Pa., bank March 2, was arrested and, while being conveyed to the Pittsburg jail, threw a steaming cup of coffee in his guard's face and escaped. He was recaptured, but escaped from the Hollidaysburg jail.

The police also claim he was wanted in connection with a diamond robbery in Kansas City, Mo., a year ago, when he had assumed the name of Howe. Mrs. Edna Hohl, who says she is the widow of Frank G. Hohl, was arrested last night, but the police were unable to find any trace of the money taken by the robber.

DANCING
CELTIC ASSOCIATES
A. O. H. HALL
Friday Eve., Dec. 18
TICKETS 25c



City Bills 1914

December 26, is the last day to present bills for the year 1914. The Municipal Council will meet December 29, to approve all bills received.

Books of the City of Lowell close December 31, 1914.
CHAS. D. PAIGE, Auditor.

GEORGE H. BROWN, Commissioner of Finance.



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If you are working that is all that's necessary
\$5.00—COST..... 75c
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SIX BIG LIONS RUN WILD IN NEW YORK THEATRE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Six lions escaped from their cage on the stage of an East Eleventh street vaudeville theatre yesterday and, for a time, walked into the audience, causing a panic of women and children, causing a panic of women and children, causing a panic of women and children.

Two other officers were slightly wounded by the claws of the beast in a battle at close range. At sight of the lions, hundreds of persons in the theatre fled, screaming to the exits. Mothers, delayed by gathering up their children, crowded into corners and places of supposed safety. Scores fainted, and many, numbed by the sight of the animals among them, sat transfixed in their seats.

With the exception of Alice, none of the beasts displayed great ferocity. A few persons who got in their paths were scratched, but none of them was seriously hurt.

Five of the animals still were loose in the theatre when the last of the audience escaped. In their rush to safety spectators left at kinds of wearing apparel and personal belongings. Then for an hour the beasts roamed over the house, from gallery to balcony. But when they finally were rounded up in the lobby and driven into their shipping box none of them was injured.

Three arrests, charging criminal negligence, were made. Those in custody are La Belle Adams, the lion tamer; C. A. Turquist, the keeper; and George H. Hamilton, manager of the attraction. The lions were owned by Francis Ferrell, a showman, who had been exhibiting them at carnivals during the summer.

The animal act had been completed and a song and dance quartet held the stage in front of the first drop when the lions escaped. They were about to be transferred from the steel exhibition cage to their shipping box at the time.

According to Turquist, they became excited, rushed out of the steel cage, and knocking their shipping box aside were free behind the scenes. Madame

Andree screamed, Turquist grabbed a whip, cracked it loudly and shouted at the lions and frightened actors and actresses and theatre attaches began climbing stairways. One of the lions walked into the wings and peered at the quartet. The singing ceased abruptly.

Orchestra Kept on Playing
As the singers started to retreat into the wings, Detective Peter Cahill, who was in the audience, saw the lion and shouted to the entertainers to go on. One singer returned and began a solo. Suddenly a lion came into full view and all control of the audience was lost.

The orchestra, nevertheless, continued to play. The first lion ambled upon the stage, then a second and in a minute several of them were clambering into stage boxes and out into the audience. Still the orchestra kept playing, until several lions came right down into the pit. Then the musicians fled under the stage.

Almost everybody in the audience later had a different version of what the animals did after they got among the crowd, but nearly all accounts agree that they did not live up to the dangerous name of the "King of the Jungle." Edward J. Nitzburg said that by the time he grasped the situation a lion was so near him that he thought it best to sit still. He carried out this plan, and although the lion passed up and down the aisle near him six times he was unharmed.

Mark McBurnett, who he was hurrying down an aisle, so he lay down. The animal clawed him on the head and his wound appeared to be the most dangerous that any of the beasts inflicted. He was taken to a hospital.

Rescued by Firemen

The last of the audience to leave the theatre were several women found crouched up in a second-floor dressing room. They signalled firemen from a nearby engine house, who carried them down ladders to safety.

A throng was gathered outside the theatre, when Alice emerged and trotted slowly across the street. One story was that when she poked her head into a saloon, a man came up and patting her. Reaching the corner of 8th

street and Third avenue she calmly sat down. A crowd in Third avenue began to shout and 19 policemen, with revolvers drawn, came rushing across the street from the theatre toward her. She turned north in Third avenue, crossed the thoroughfare, and fled into an apartment house.

Abraham Glaser, a photographer, was working on the first floor of the building when he heard a peculiar noise in the hall. He opened the door to investigate and stared into the face of the lioness. Slamming the door quickly he shouted for help.

The lioness tried to climb a stairway and bounded up flight. Three two women peered from a doorway and seeing the animal shrieked and slammed the door. Again Alice fled, this time to the third floor, only to cause more screams from residents of the apartment. When the police arrived, Alice was at the top of a small stairway, seeking access to the roof.

Killed by 30 Bullets

For more than 10 minutes thereafter there was in the narrow hallway, a fierce battle between men and beast. Shot after shot, 30 in all, were fired into the now raging animal. It and down the stairway she raced, growling and snarling, clawing, striking and biting at her assailants. Several times she leaped over the banister that protected the stairway, alighting heavily on the next landing. From a score of bullet wounds blood ran, but the lioness was almost as full of fight when she finally dropped as when the first shot was fired. The end came after one of her spectacular leaps.

Bounding over a balustrade, she leaped upon the knee of Alfred Winter, a policeman, who stood with one foot on the railing and another against a wall firing at her. The force of the fall and the sudden halt that rained into her body ended the battle.

It was while the firing was at its height that Sergeant Glaser was wounded. It is doubtful if it ever will be determined who in that squad of 10 men fired almost continuously, hit him. He was shot through the back and the bullet was said to have entered his stomach. It was thought last night that he would die.

Two Claws By Alice
Both Edward H. Keaveny and James M. Craig, policemen, sustained wounds at the claws of Alice. Keaveny was severely lacerated that he was taken to a hospital.

Craig was holding to a round in a balcony shooting at Alice when she snatched his hand. Reaching forth she clawed him, though not severely. He continued at work.

Five of the animals were females and one male. All were young and considered valuable.

A NATIONAL BODY
Organization of All Lumber Associations of the Country Will be Effected

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Organization of all lumber associations of the country into a national body will be effected at a conference to be held here Feb. 21-25. It was announced today. This movement was decided on at a conference attended yesterday by 100 representatives of various associations in the lumber industry.

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FOUR ESCAPE BY SLIDE DOWN BLANKET ROPE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—Four prisoners in the Merrimack county jail here dared death yesterday afternoon and in a most sensational manner escaped from the institution.

Cutting a hole through the ceiling of a corridor during the temporary absence of the turnkeys, they climbed into an attic, thence to the roof, and slid 40 feet to the ground on a weak and shabby rope made of blankets.

Up to midnight all four were at large. Posses of police of this and the surrounding cities and towns are scouring the countryside. It is feared the escaped men have secured weapons and will not submit to capture without putting up a desperate fight.

The escape of the men was made shortly before 5 o'clock. With 10 or 12 other prisoners they were exercising in a corridor of the jail—the old part of the institution—on the fourth floor, when one of them called all the men about him and told them that they could escape; that he would lead the way and the others must follow.

"And any that don't want to," he shouted, "just keep quiet and let the rest get away with it."

There was a ready acquiescence from the imprisoned men, and the leader, hoisted up on the shoulders of his companions, pulled a jagged instrument from his pocket and hacked a hole through the ceiling. He climbed through and then in turn three others followed. The remainder, fearful to take the chance of capture and added months or years to their terms, threw back but made no outcry.

Once in the attic, the four men seized upon some cast-off clothing and discarded their striped prison suits. Then, catching up some mouldy blankets, they quickly tied them together into one long rope, and climbing through a window, made

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Chelmsford Man Drank Fatal Dose While He Was Despondent

A farmer named H. W. Smith, living in Smith avenue, off Steadman street, Chelmsford, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by drinking a large quantity of carbolic acid. Smith had been despondent for some time previous. He was 35 years of age. At the time when the victim drank the acid there was nobody at home except his father. As soon as the elder Mr. Smith discovered what his son had done he rushed to the telephone and called medical assistance but it was too late. The unfortunate man died before the physician could reach his side.

Smith is survived by his wife, Catherine, and father, John T. two sons, Joseph and John, two sisters, Mrs. Byron Lamphere of Chelmsford Centre and Mrs. Kittle Sheldon of Providence, also two brothers, Walter and Charles of Providence. He was a member of the Admiral Farragut camp, Sons of Veterans.

GAVE BELGIAN CONCERT

FINE PROGRAM GIVEN IN COLONIAL HALL BEFORE A GOOD-SIZED AUDIENCE

A concert by the Belgian School of Music and Languages was given at Colonial hall last evening. The attendance was fairly large and those present enjoyed the program. Those who took part were Philippe O. Bergeron, violinist, who recently returned from Liege, Belgium, where he graduated at the conservatory of music; William Tullin, cellist; Henry Campbell, baritone, and teacher of languages, and Wilfred Kershaw, accompanist. Mr. Bergeron played several difficult selections and his work was fully appreciated. Mr. Campbell in addition to several vocal numbers, gave a lecture on the "Quality of Tone in Singing." Mr. Chlig, who is an accomplished musician, played several pleasing selections. Mr. Kershaw as an accompanist, was excellent and his part in the final trio was exceptionally well done.

LITTLE MONKEY BUSINESS

Member of Musicians' Union Threw a Scarf Into 'Joe' Fredette—Monkeys Not Members

Just as "Joe" Fredette, leader of the Opera House orchestra was leaving the theatre yesterday afternoon he was held up by a member of the Musicians' union, who greeted him as follows: "The union is going to get after you fellows."

"What for?" asked "Joe."

"You're playing with a non-union bunch," replied his friends as he soberly walked away.

"Joe" called up in his mind all the members of the orchestra and was confident that all of his fellow players had cards.

As he thought it over, a light suddenly dawned on him and he said: "Trying to make a monkey of me, I guess."

A feature of the Monkey Cabaret show at the Opera House is an orchestra composed of monkeys who perform while the house orchestra is playing and the monkeys don't belong to the union.

FLAGS TO HARTLET SCHOOL

A delegation of Ladies of the G. A. R. circle 8, journeyed to the Bartlett Training school yesterday afternoon and presented the school two beautiful flags, one to be from the flag pole on top of the building and the other to hang inside. The following program was given by the children:

Address of welcome, Walter Hall; history of the flag, Edward Rogers; recitation, "The Flag Goes By," Glover Howe; recitation, "The Name of Old Glory," Alder Houghton; song, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," recitation, "The American Flag," Crescence Parthenais; Ruth Lockhart; Hazel Donahue; Grace Barrett and Mary Sullivan; recitation, "The National Anthem," Elizabeth O'Neil; presentation of the flags by the Ladies of the G. A. R. circle 8; acceptance, Walter Hall; salute to the flag, the school; song, "America."

CELEBRATE MUSLIMAN FETE

PARIS, Dec. 18.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—The government, in arranging facilities for the religious services of the sects in the army, as previously announced, did not forget the Mussulmans. For the fete Al Louche, or Feast of the Lamb, which fell on Saturday, Oct. 21st, the military authorities arranged for the installation of provisional mosques wherever practicable. At each place a live sheep was provided for the rites where it was possible, and when no live animal was available a quarter of mutton was furnished. A great many wounded Africans in Havre and Saint Briac were thus able to celebrate the great Mussulman festival.

The faithful knelt barefoot according to the rites on carpets spread in schoolhouses or in the courts of buildings, wherever premises were available, and after long prayers returned to the hospitals where the fete continued with the participation of those whose condition prevented them from leaving their beds.

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Dorchester Man Snatched Girl From in Front of Electric Car

HOSTON, Dec. 18.—Howard Robbins of 7 Minton street, Dorchester, snatched 12-year-old Alice Foubey of 45 Pleasant street, Dorchester, from in front of an electric car by climbing from the front vestibule to the fender last night and saved the girl from being injured. He caught her up and swung her to the platform and held her there until the car came to a stop. Robbins was a passenger on the car which was going along Savin Hill avenue, near Pleasant street, and was riding in the vestibule. He saw the girl step from behind a car going in the opposite direction and realizing that she was in danger he climbed out on the fender and snatched her up with one hand, holding on to the rail with the other.

GERMANS PRAISE ALLIES

CREDIT RUSSIAN, FRENCH, BELGIAN AND ENGLISH TROOPS WITH BRAVERY AND SKILL

(Correspondence of Associated Press) BERLIN, Dec. 18.—Evidence of the reaction of German officers and soldiers fighting at the front against the tendency to belittle the fighting qualities of the enemy continue to accumulate.

Soldiers' letters and returning soldiers speak in terms of high appreciation of the military prowess and soldierly qualities of their opponents and among several hundred wounded with whom the correspondent of the Associated Press has talked in his visits to hospitals the last fortnight no one was found who refused to credit the enemy in general, Russian, French and Belgian and English with bravery and military skill.

Distinctions are drawn, it is true, the British being generally reckoned as the toughest opponents on the west front.

The Germans had a high opinion of the fighting qualities of the French soldier before this war began. The fighting which occurred on the march from the Belgian frontier to the Marne and Paris tended to lessen their respect for toughness of French moral fibre, but the last two months have changed that opinion and soldiers' letters reflect increased respect for them. The recent fighting of the remnant of the Belgian army in Flanders also has greatly raised the German estimation of the Belgian soldier, who, in the general army opinion, had not greatly distinguished himself at Liege, Namur and Antwerp and the intervening field engagements.

As to the British, field post letters continue to bear out the statement from a German expert as to their robust fighting qualities. One of the latest of these letters, printed in the Cologne Gazette, contains the following striking passage:

"People at home appear to have wrong notions about the fighting qualities of the enemy. The English are the toughest and bravest foe we have to meet. Every individual man keeps on shooting coolly so long he is not taken prisoner and these trained veterans shoot well. When we storm a position the French will run when we close in with our shouts of 'Hurrah', but the English stick tenaciously to their entrenchments to the last." Danzer's Anzeigzeitung, the leading military publication of Austria, pays a high tribute to the Serbian, Belgian and Russian troops. The Serbians are called brave, but declaration is made that they are without food and ammunition. Credit is given to the Belgians for standing with England and France "when they must have realized that their own cause was irretrievably lost." The press is criticized for its attacks on the Russians, saying they are brave and capable.

REPORTS ARE "ALL BOSH"

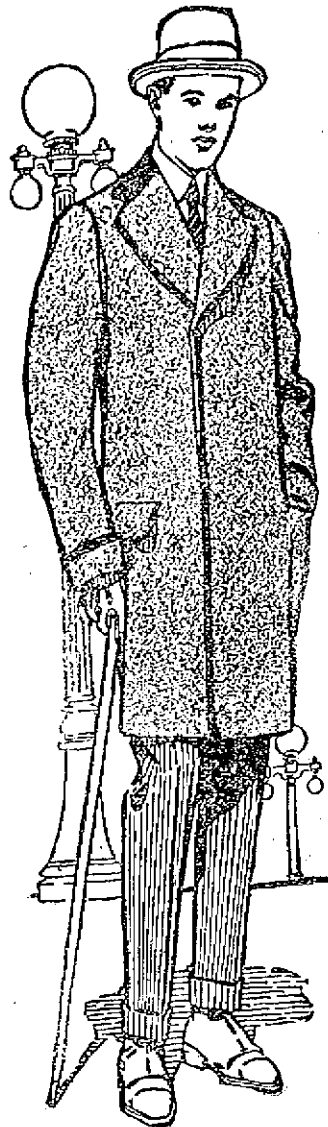
GEN. O'CALLAGHAN TELLS OF THE INVESTIGATION OF ALARMIST REPORTS

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—Major General Desmond O'Callaghan, of the Royal Artillery, has been investigating a number of alarmist reports which have had wide circulation in England, to the effect that German ordinance agents have for years past been preparing for the German invasion of England by secret means in factory foundations, tennis courts and residences deep concrete foundations, suitable for use with the heaviest German siege artillery. These concrete foundations, according to rumor, were always discovered in positions "commanding" London or Edinburgh, or Dublin. "All bosh," says General O'Callaghan, who is inclined to be a little amused at having to waste his time on "such nonsense." His report to the public was in part:

"I have had the pleasure for the past few weeks of assisting Scotland Yard in the inspection of concrete platforms, and appraising their danger from a military point of view. Since the discovery of an alleged gun-platform at Willesden, reports of similar preparations for the bombardment of London have been received from all quarters. To sum up my investigations, there is no reason to suppose that the floors or roofs of any factories, or tennis courts, constitute in any way a danger to the public."

"Lawn tennis grounds in all directions have been reported and their tremendous solidity vouched for by nervous communities, but all turn out on examination to be of usual type, six inches and not six feet thick. "It would be a waste of energy and ammunition for the enemy to bring over to England howitzers of his size and weight and unworkable of his size. Timmer howitzers, which are the only timmer howitzers, concrete platforms, requiring a concrete platform, any of the smaller and more portable howitzers, which are fired off their wheels, would very much better serve his purposes."

One of the factories reported to the police as suspiciously well constructed is owned by an American firm, General O'Callaghan mentions it as an exam-



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Lowell's Big Progressive Store

It was reported by nervous neighbors as "an alien company with a German manager, employing exclusively German workmen; has concrete floor six feet thick; roof is flat, resting on concrete arches nearly four feet thick; occupies commanding position; could be made into powerful fort." Says General O'Callaghan in his report:

"In company with an Inspector I visited the factory. I was received by a pleasant sportsman. He showed me a list of shareholders. There were probably some German names among them. Directors? 'Yes, we had one German director, but he has retired.' 'And German workmen?' 'None.' The manager then took me around the building. The floors are certainly of concrete, but only six inches thick. The roof is certainly flat, but of glass."

BRANCH ST. ANDREW
The annual whist and social under the auspices of Branch St. Andrew A. C. was held last night in Griffin hall with a large attendance.

The whist was very successful and reflected much credit upon the organizers, L. J. Connelley, president of the society presided over the gathering and under his direction a lively whist contest took place and a delightful entertainment program was carried out.

The committee in charge consisted of the following: Challem, L. J. Connelley; secretary, Joseph Lobano; treasurer, Azale Thibault; Origene Desrochers, Donat Quetelle, Daniel Desrochers, Alfred and Leon Theriault, Fernand Poirer, Calisto Boucher, Edmond Berger and Ferdinand Theriault.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The following officers were elected to serve for one year at last evening's meeting of Elgin lodge, N. E. O. P.: Warden, N. E. Fisher; vice warden, Miss Perthie E. Ober; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Burrows; financial secretary, Miss A. C. Burrows; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Bown; chaplain, H. C. Gordon; guide, John J. Markham; guardian, John Robertson; sentinel, G. R. Higginsbottom; representatives to grand lodge, Fred Timmins and Mrs. Dora A. Chase; alternates, Mrs. Lulu M. Hutchins and Mrs. Deborah T. Norris; trustee for three years, W. G. Bown; pianist, Mrs. E. J. Chandler. The installation will take place at the next meeting on Jan. 7, when Deputy Grand Warden Mrs.

Estelle I. Evans and suite of Cambridge will be present. The entertainment committee will arrange a supper for that evening.

DIV. I. A. O. H.

At a meeting of Div. I, A. O. H. held last evening in its hall in the Howe building a membership contest was started and prizes will be awarded to members who have the best success in securing new members between now and St. Patrick's night. It is also planned to hold a large class initiation in February when the 48th anniversary of the division will be celebrated. Ten new members were initiated into the organization and 14 applications for membership were received and balloted upon. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Martin F. McCarthy; vice president, Michael Cagney; treasurer, Thomas J. McCarthy; secretary, James A. McCarthy; recording secretary, Homer A. Verillie; sergeant-at-arms, Francis Brice; sentinel, Martin Flannigan; standing committee, Jas. Lyons, chairman, John O'Hare, Frank Brice.

The officers will attend the county convention to be held in Waltham, Sunday, Dec. 27.

Count Wamesit, R. of A.

Count Wamesit, Foresters of America, met last evening and elected the following officers for the coming year:

Chief ranger, William A. Kelly; sub chief ranger, James H. Carney; treasurer, Charles H. Molloy; financial secretary, Thomas H. Carney; recording secretary, James White; senior woodward, James Farrell; junior woodward, Geo. Wattle; junior beadle, Patrick Jarrett; lecturer, William A. Reardon; physician, Dr. James E. Leary; trustee for three years, James Curry. Remarks on the read of the order were made by Brothers White, Garvey, Farrell, Kelly and Gill. The amalgamation committee will meet the first Sunday in January.

Jas. A. Garfield Relief Corps

The recently elected officers of Jas. A. Garfield Relief corps, 33, will be installed on Jan. 7, 1915, when a joint installation will be held with Post 120, G. A. R. Mrs. Elizabeth Robbins Berry of Cambridge has been selected as installing officer.

Knights of Columbus

Members of Lowell council, Knights of Columbus, are making plans for a lecture to be given in Associate hall in the near future by David Goldstein on the subject, "David and Goliath, or Christianity vs. Socialism." A meeting of the committee in charge was held

last evening and final arrangements were made.

Street Carmen's Auxiliary

The ladies auxiliary to the Street Carmen's union has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. P. F. Lowe; first vice president, Mrs. Wm. Mahoney; second vice president, Mrs. William Land; treasurer, Mrs. William Spraul; secretary, Mrs. Edward Welch; and guardian, Mrs. Charles Flannery. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 6, at the home of Mrs. Harrison in Shaw street.

Sam Walter Foss Club

Rev. Ernest Trites addressed the members of the Sam Walter Foss club at this week's meeting on the subject, "Life and Its Opportunities." The session was held at the home of Mrs. Emily Kittredge, 22 Jenness street, and a large amount of routine business was transacted after which there were songs by Mrs. Elita Richardson and piano solos by Miss Laura Murphy. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, assisted by Miss Murray, Mrs. Watson and Miss Clarice Kimbrough.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Stella McDonald, 328 Walker street, on Wednesday, after noon, Jan. 6, 1915.



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INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The dance held under the auspices of the Shu Workers last evening at Association hall was an immense success.

Jack Gallagher, a young man well known in this city, is now employed at the U. S. Garbidge Co.

Jack Cronin of the Stirling mills will enter college next year and take up the study of dentistry.

William Buckley, formerly of the Beaver Brook mills in Collinsville, has accepted a position out of town.

The Electrical Workers union will hold its regular meeting tonight in the Elks building.

Jack Kelley, a popular street railway conductor will make a hard fight for secretary of the union. The election will take place next Tuesday evening.

Two departments of the Beet mills were in operation at 12 o'clock last night.

Frank Burke, formerly employed in the printing business in Watertown, Conn., has accepted a position in Franklin, N. H.

Joshua Chapelle, the prominent smith is being congratulated on an event that took place a short time ago in Norwich, Conn.

John Moran of the Massachusetts mills has been elected captain of the bowling team composed of machinists employed at the plant.

It is said that Dick Galloway, the popular Central street tenorist artist, had a close shave one night last week.

Wally Quinn, employed at the J. W. Barry shoe Co., is counting the time before he is a member of the Hartford A. C.

George Boyd, a young man well known in this city, has accepted a position with the Hallowell Hartford Carpet Co. as an electrician.

Miss Nellie Kelley of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. made quite a hit recently at a local club with her singing.

The Millmen's union will meet tonight in Carpenters hall in the Elks building. Business of much importance will come up for transaction.

Amos Turner, a prominent member of the Machinists union, and formerly employed at the Shaw-Walker shops, is now working in a New Hampshire machine concern.

Albert Olson of the Machinists union is an accomplished pianist, and is much in demand at the smoke talks conducted by this prominent organization.

Miss Ella Murphy, a popular employee at the Lowell Weaving Co., says that the coming dance to be conducted by the Violet Girls will be a highly enjoyable affair.

Alonzo Wyman, formerly employed at the J. W. Barry shoe Co., is now working at the Boston & Maine repair shops in Elliptical. Mr. Wyman will visit Springfield in the near future.

The dancing artists stayed away from the Waldorf last night and were instead with the club and the enterprising. Bill is some entertainer at that.

Jack Randall of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. is but one of the vast number of the city who are at present busy with the thoughts of selecting a suitable Christmas gift.

Fred Webster, one of Lowell's prominent plumbers, has visited Attleboro many times since the once stated little town decided to become a city. Fred says that it is the prettiest little city in the state.

The Lowell Electric Bowling team is showing up remarkably well this season and all the members are plugging away to become a city. The team maintains the splendid average of 95.13 at the present writing.

Douglas Parsons of the U. S. Robbins Co. states that the cold weather will not interfere with his fishing expeditions at that his regular Saturday afternoon excursions will be continued as usual.

Miss Margaret Bray of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. is still talking about the excellence of the production of the Ziegfeld Follies.

which had quite a run in Boston recently.

Jack Hall, an employee at the American Hat & Leather Co., who last year was given a spot by Boston in the New England league will coach on with one of the Colonial league teams this season. It is reported.

The smoke talk and lecture to be held under the auspices of St. Peter's Holy Name society tonight will be of a most instructive and highly enjoyable character. President Ward will occupy the chair.

James Keating of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. will take the oral examination to be held in Boston Jan. 5, 1915. Mr. Keating has made good preparation and is confident of success.

Miss Edith Myers of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. was among the large gathering that attended the production of "The Road to Happiness" in Boston recently. Miss Myers has been informed as to whether she found it.

The various department stores down street present one of the most beautiful displays in years and it would be hard indeed to select the most attractive window display. Christmas shopping will be started with a rush on Monday.

Agent Whittier of the Lowell Bleachery is one of the most energetic mill managers in this part of the country. Mr. Whittier started at the bottom of the ladder, proceeded to the master mechanic's rank, then to the top, to his present position.

Thomas McQuade of the Bigelow Hartford Carpet Co. was easily in his match with a noted artist at a local and popular last Monday evening. Tom has the makings of a pool champion and should devote more time to the game.

Ross Hall, the energetic business agent of the Machinists union has not visited the local branch for some time, undoubtedly due to the pressure of business. Mr. Hall has addressed the members of the local union on several occasions and is well liked by them. His home is in Lynn, Mass.

Arthur O'Neil, the retail bookkeeper at Gullaby's in Market street is at present busily engaged sending out invitations for the annual dancing party conducted by the Little Flower Campers. Arthur says that this year will be even more enjoyable than preceding events.

The Beaver Brook mills in Collinsville were running in several departments last night, and the lights of the mill were reflected in the darkness outside presented a beautiful picture of industry prospering. These mills are a part of the American Woolen company.

Amicable settlement in differences arising between employer and employee is a plank in the platform of the Boot & Shoe Workers' union. Organizer D. E. Walcott attributes the success of this union in a large measure to this decided feature. The union paid out \$100,000 in death, sick or disability benefits last year the grand sum of \$1,000,000.

John Quinn, stage manager at Keith's has the reputation among the players of being one of the most obliging and consequently one of the most popular stage men on the circuit. John was pretty cool on the boards himself in his day, and since his exodus has appeared in many amateur performances, in which he displayed much of the old time stuff.

Sup. C. S. Bodfish Promoted
Clarence E. Bodfish, for several years employed as superintendent of the Day State mill of this city, has received a well deserved promotion by the American Woolen company, having been appointed to be agent of the Pittsfield Woolen mills, Pittsfield, Mass. His successor in the Day State mills has not been appointed as yet.

Calico Printers Union
The Calico Printers' union, held a meeting in Old Fellows hall last night, and a list of 200 members was announced. The secretary's report showed the union to be in excellent standing both financially and numerically.

Machinists Union
The Machinists union held a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting last evening in the union quarters in Middle street with President Walter Phelps in the chair. Several new members were admitted and committee reports were accepted and read. A stack of important communications were properly referred to the secretary for disposal. The secretary's report denoted progress.

Typographical Union Meet
On Saturday evening, Dec. 12, the Typographical union will hold its regular monthly meeting at its new rooms in West 123 hall, Mechanics Savings Bank building, directly opposite the parsonage of St. Anne's church.

The meeting will take the form of a housewarming, and an elaborate musical program has been arranged. A buffet lunch will be served after the business session. The drawing of the turkeys will also take place, and the prizes will be awarded for the best selling contest.

The new quarters are elegantly furnished and will make the most comfortable home the Typographical union has ever had.

It is up to the members to show their appreciation to the hard working officials who have made the new quarters possible by attending the meeting, which again, let you forget, is Saturday night.

Trades & Labor Council
A very important and highly interesting meeting of the Trades & Labor Council was held last evening at Trades & Labor hall in Middle street, at which the secretary of the important body was instructed to get in touch with representatives and sections in an effort to secure a referendum on the question of public ownership of street railways, before any further consolidation of steam and electric roads be sanctioned.

The council also recorded its displeasure and opposition to the suggestion recently made by Governor Walsh, which would grant state boards the authority to modify laws.

A communication from the Massachusetts state board was received, asking the local council to appoint a special committee to be in readiness at any time to appear at the state house on legislative matters affecting their interests which may arise from time to time. The communication was given proper attention.

The grievance committee's report showed that various matters of importance to labor had been settled amicably. An appropriation of \$15 was made in response to an appeal made by the American Federation for the relief of the members of labor unions now on strike at Cambridge, N. Y., Atlanta, Ga., and Calumet, Minn.

In answer to a recent invitation extended to President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor to speak before the local body, a communication was read last evening in which Mr. Gompers stated that he is not ready to answer definitely at the present. The secretary was instructed to extend an invitation to Vice President James Donaghy to address the council.

Against routine business was transacted and several minor communications were referred to the secretary for proper disposal.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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Bathe your face for several minutes with Resinol Soap and hot water, then apply a little Resinol Ointment very gently. Let this stay on ten minutes, and wash off with Resinol Soap and more hot water, finishing with a dash of cold water to close the pores. Do this once or twice a day, and you will be astonished to find how quickly the healing, antiseptic Resinol medication soothes and cleanses the pores, removes pimple and blackheads, and leaves the complexion clear and velvety.

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MANY PETITIONS

Mayor Hears Claimants
Who Have Claims
Against the City

Petitioners seeking to recover for personal injuries or damage to property were given a hearing before Mayor Murphy in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last night. The mayor was assisted by City Solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy. All of the petitioners notified of the hearing did not appear. No action was taken on any of the petitions and nothing will be done until the municipal council as a whole has gone over the evidence. The hearing was begun at 7.30 o'clock.

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HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

HUMAN CHAIN SAVES SKATER—
FRIENDS RISK LIFE FOR ROBERT KING

WATERTOWN, Dec. 18.—Robert King, aged 24, of 184 Los Angeles street, Newton, was rescued from drowning in the Charles river near the Riverfront section yesterday afternoon only after four of his companions had formed a human chain and risked their lives to save him.

About 3 o'clock King, with John, Frank and Samuel Halley or 79 Faxon street, and Walter Aisenault of 36 Bridge street, Newton, went skating on the river. They went as far as Wancull on the Newton side. Returning, they went out nearer the center of the river toward the Watertown side. When almost opposite Riverfront, King, who was leading, broke through the thin ice and was soon floundering about.

Back Officer Dominick O'Connor called to the young men not to get excited while he started for a ladder and rope, which were on the riverbank some distance away. The Halley brothers found a plank and lying flat on the ice, Aisenault, they pushed it toward King, who was fast becoming numb. They called words of encouragement to him, and John Halley, who was the head man in the chain, managed to push the plank far enough for King to get hold of it.

John Halley then pushed himself along until he succeeded in reaching hold of King's hand. While struggling to pull him up he fell into the water but managed to cling to his friend. By this time Officer O'Connor had arrived with the ladder and rope and the two young men were pulled from the water.

Both were suffering from the cold and were taken to the Metropolitan police station in Brighton, where they were cared for until they were able to go to their homes.

The accident and rescue were witnessed by a large crowd and the young men were complimented on their good judgment and courage.

FINES AGGREGATE \$750

TWO DRUGGISTS AND CLERK ARRESTED IN CAMBRIDGE ON CHARGES OF LIQUOR SELLING

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Fines aggregating \$750 were imposed yesterday in the Cambridge district court on two Cambridge druggists and a clerk, convicted of illegal selling of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale and maintaining liquor nuisances.

Leonard E. Hubbard of 1033 Cambridge street was found guilty of keeping and exposing liquor for sale, and guilty of making an illegal sale. He was fined \$75 on each count. Mr. Hubbard was found not guilty of maintaining a liquor nuisance and was also cleared of a charge of making an illegal sale, two being named in the complaint.

J. Bennett Vogel, 215 Western avenue, was found guilty of making three illegal sales of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale and maintaining a liquor nuisance. He was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225. His clerk, Roy H. Pletcher, charged with making three illegal sales of liquor, was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225.

INSANITY IN THIS COUNTRY

Enormous Increase in Number of Insane Under Institutional Care — Asylums Overcrowded

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Is insanity in the United States on the increase? This question is discussed by Dr. Joseph A. Hill in the government report on the insane in institutions, soon to be issued by William J. Harris, director of the census, in the department of commerce. That there has been an enormous increase in the number of insane under institutional care is made evident by the statistics presented in this report, but for reasons there set forth, this in itself can not be regarded as conclusive proof of an increase of insanity in the general population outside of institutions.

The number of insane reported in institutions increased from 150,151 in 1904 to 157,791 in 1910—an increase of 5 per cent in six years. The total population of the United States in the same interval increased only 12 per cent. Therefore the insane in institutions increased twice as fast as the population. In 1904, out of every 100,000 persons in the total population, 157 were reported in institutions for the insane; by 1910 the number had increased to 204. In other words, in 1904, one person out of every 643 was confined to an institution for the insane; in 1910, one person out of every 490. There was a similarly marked increase in the number of annual admissions to these institutions. In 1904, persons having been admitted, 60,769 as compared with 49,622 in 1901, an increase of 22 per cent. The number of admissions per 100,000 population increased from 61 in 1901 to 66 in 1910.

These increases are at least partly attributable to the extension of the provisions made for the care of insane persons and to the growth of the practice of placing them in institutions. There is an increasing disposition and willingness on the part of the public to accept institutional treatment. The old-time horror of the lunatic asylum, fully justified perhaps by the inhuman practices formerly prevailing in such institutions, has largely disappeared, and it is coming to be recognized that the modern institution for the insane is simply a hospital for the treatment of mental diseases, fulfilling essentially the same purpose in the community as any other hospital for the sick. In the interval between 1904 and 1910 the number of institutions for the insane increased from 385 to 265, the average number of inmates per institution increasing from 455 to 512.

Insane Asylums Overcrowded. Notwithstanding these developments, the provisions for the institutional care of the insane are still very inadequate in most parts of the United States. There are general complaints of overcrowded institutions, and of the necessity of turning patients away. Under such conditions, the construction of a new hospital for the insane or the extension of an existing one may be followed by an increase in the number of insane in institutions without being indicative of any increase in the prevalence of insanity in the community from which the patients are received.

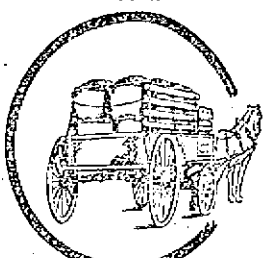
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Of the 60,769 persons admitted to insane hospitals in 1910, 26,651 came from cities, villages or other incorporated places of more than 2,500 inhabitants, while 24,118 came from the smaller towns or country districts, leaving 3,003 for whom the place of residence was not reported. Of more significance, however, are the statistics showing the number of admissions in proportion to the total population of each class of communities.

From rural communities 41 insane persons were admitted per 100,000 population; from the urban communities the ratio was 86 per 100,000. These figures cover the entire United States, but there is a similar difference in all sections of the country. Everywhere the ratio of admissions is higher, and usually much higher, from urban than from rural communities, although the contrast is rather less striking in New England than in other geographic divisions. It seems probable, therefore, that the increase in the proportion of total population living in cities has resulted in an increase of insanity.

Effects of Dissipation. A partial explanation of the difference between city and country, as regards their contributions to the hospitals for the insane, is found in the statistics of cases of general paralysis and of alcoholic psychosis. These are forms of insanity which, directly or indirectly, are caused by vice or dissipation. Of the total number of persons admitted to hospitals in 1910, 16.8 per cent or more than one-sixth, were afflicted with one or the other of these diseases. This class of cases, however, formed only 10.4 per cent or one-tenth of the admissions from rural communities, as compared with 21 per cent, or one-fifth, of the admissions from urban communities. The ratio of such cases to 100,000 population was 4.3 for rural communities, as compared with 18 for urban; that is to say, in proportion to population, the cases of this character received from the city were about four and one-half times as numerous as those from the country.

When the cases of alcoholic psychosis and general paralysis are left out of account, the ratio of admissions to hospitals for the insane still remains higher from urban communities than from rural, but the contrast becomes less striking; the ratio for the other cases of insanity being 68 per 100,000 for urban population, as compared with 37 per 100,000 for rural.

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CITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Big Time on the South Common
Christmas Eve—An Elaborate
Program Arranged

All arrangements for the municipal Christmas tree on the South common have been completed and the tree will be installed Monday afternoon. When the proposition was first taken up it was thought, of course, that it would be much easier to get a tree than to get the necessary singers, but the reverse proved true. The great difficulty came in getting the tree and a spruce tree sufficiently large was not obtainable. But, after visiting William Pelham, Salem, Billings, Ballardvale, Tyngsboro, Westford, Dracut, Carlisle, Andover, New Boston, and all the Chelmsford, John W. Kernan, superintendent of parks, succeeded in getting a hemlock tree that will suit the purpose. The tree is forty feet high and it was given him by Alfred Skinner, head gardener for the park department. Mr. Skinner has a farm on the bank of the Merrimack about three miles below the flood farm and there are some nice young hemlocks growing there. It will require a four horse hitch to remove the tree to the South common where it is to be located. The tree will be brilliantly lighted with small incandescents and the handstand will also be prettily decorated. There will be a temporary bandstand hedged in with greenery. It will be beside the new handstand and the singers will be concealed there.

The municipal Christmas tree is very popular and it will undoubtedly prove a great attraction here. Over 100 cities from New York to Los Angeles are said to have celebrated the holidays of 1913 in this manner and a great many more cities will have municipal Christmas trees this year. The program in connection with the Christmas tree in this city will be quite elaborate and perhaps the most impressive number will come at the stroke of midnight when the carolers will sing "Advent Fideles"—"O Come, All Ye Faithful." The program:

Concert starts at 10:30 p. m.
An augmented band of Lowell Music-china Union, under direction of William Regan.

Part I
March—Stars and Stripes Forever, Sousa
Overture—William Tell, Rossini
Carnet Solo—Selected.
Gems of Stephen Foster—Arr. Tobani
Nymphs Solo—Selected.
F. Kenyon

Part II
Carols by augmented choir under the direction of Alex. Williams, chorister of St. Ann's, and accompanied by the band.
Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
Joy to the World
Kyrle of Twelfth Mass., Mozart
Band

Carols—
(a) Holy God, We Praise Thy Name.
(b) Holy Night.
Augmented Choir
Gloria from Twelfth Mass., Mozart
Band

Carols—
(a) Christians Awake, Salute the Home Born.
(b) Advent Fideles, O Come, All Ye Faithful.
Augmented Choir
Selection—Joy to the World.
Arr. Barnhouse

Including the following carols: Antioch, I Am Praying for You, Ring the Bells of Heaven, Let the Lower Lights be Burning, Rock of Ages, I'll Stand by You Till Morning, David's Hymn, My Redeemer, With Jesus Christ Is Watching, Nothing but the Blood of Jesus, Over the Life Coronation, Dare to Be a Daniel. In this selection Mr. Kernan will play the chords under the direction of William Regan.

NO. CHELMSFORD NEWS

Mills are Busy and Prosperous—
Xmas Exercises in Schools—
Helping War Sufferers

With the coming of Christmas, the subject of politics in North Chelmsford has been temporarily dispensed with and arrangements are being made for a fitting celebration of the great festival. The day will be celebrated at St. John's church in the usual way with a splendid musical program. At the Congregational church the day will also be observed in an elaborate manner.

The mills of the village are all busy and the employees are well satisfied.

Such prosperity has not been experienced by the mills in years. The Slesha Worsted Co. is running full time and some departments are operating on night work. The George C. Moore mills which have been running until 10 o'clock nightly for the past five or six weeks will run all night and day starting Monday. Employees of this mill have not lost a single hour all year. A large order received for secured wool necessitated the increased change in the schedule. The new schedule is likely to be continued well into the spring. The Lowell Textile Co. is also running overtime, and operations are carried on nightly until 1 o'clock and Saturday afternoons.

SCHOOLS OBSERVE CHRISTMAS

Both the North high and grammar schools observed Christmas this afternoon with elaborate programs. In the high school, Principal Truby delivered a highly interesting and instructive address, and this was followed by Victorrol selections. In the grammar school each grade had its own program, and the afternoon was spent most enjoyably. The schools closed tonight for the Christmas vacation. The program of the grammar school grades 6 and 7, Miss Mary D. Sleeper teacher, was as follows:

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Stocking Christmas.
Verdon Morris
All Saints.
Frances Mullin
Merry Christmas.
Paul Cummings
A Christmas Carol.
Edward Bruce
The Shindler Dance.
Arthur Knox
Santa Claus and the Mouse.
Arvilla Knox
Song—Joy to the World.
By the School
Christmas Carol.
David Brown
Christmas.
Florence Odell
A Visit From St. Nicholas.
William Clark
Song.
Chester Senior, Dorothy Billson.
Christmas Bell.
Forest White
Santa Claus.
Mary Tolson
Santa Claus on the Train.
Matthew McQuade
Christmas Gifts.
Four Girls
The Festive Time.
Harold Hadley
The Olden Story.
Anna Chapman
The Day of Mass.
Blair Peterson

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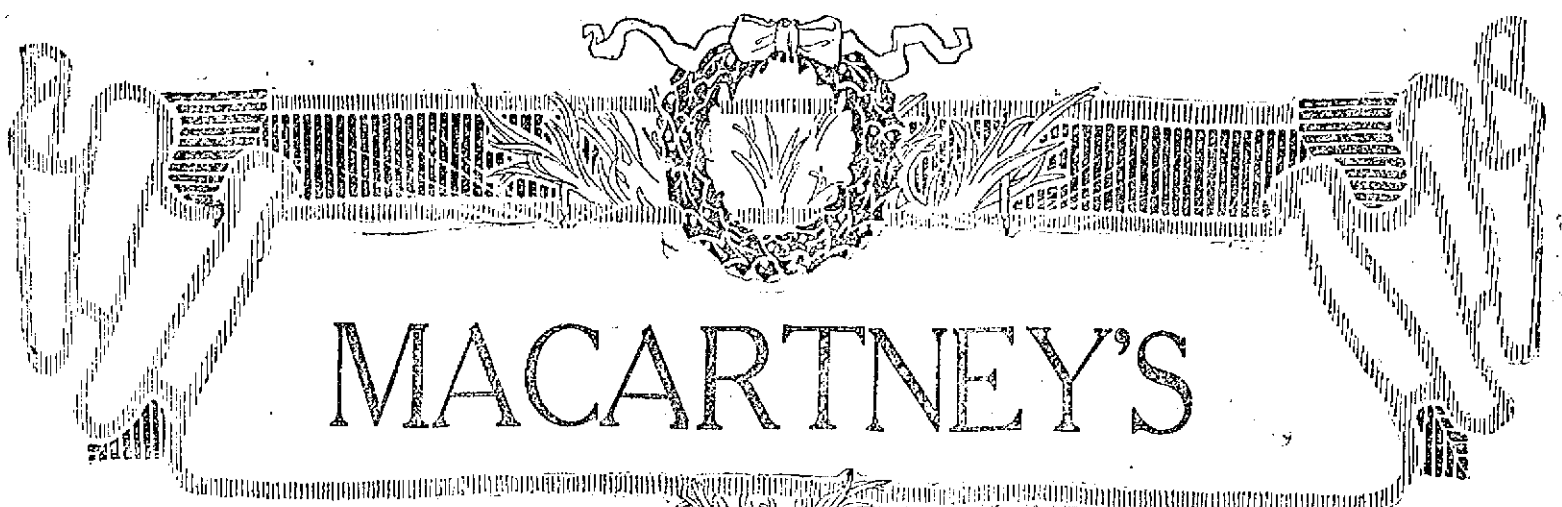
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Christmas Quotations.

By Ten Pupils
Recitation—Song of the Angels,
By the School

Recitation,
Chester Senior
Mrs. Santa Claus,
Raymond O'Neill
Song, Holy Night,
Grade 8, Miss Desmarais Teacher
Phonograph Selection,
Chorus, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"
Recitation: "Christmas is Coming,"
Florence Welch
Phonograph Selection,
Chorus, "The Christmas Spirit,"
Fred Ryan, Joseph Hehl, May Welch,
Leila La France, Marion Vassallo, Be-
lae Boucher, Agnes Hoson, Anna
Hoole, Catherine Tuckin.
Vigila Selection,
Helen Marden
Recitation: "A Christmas Tree in the Woods,"
Walter Cawthra
Chorus, "Christmas Carol" by Wilfrid
Drummond and Master, "The Song and the Story,"
Helen Marden, Ruth Davis and Maiche
Chorus, "O Little Town of Bethlehem,"
Recitation: "Keeping Christmas,"
Clarence Aydon
A Story: "The Little Boy Who Tended

"The Sheep,"
Chorus: "Now the Day is Over," "Holy Night."

St. John's T. A. Society

The members of the ladies' auxiliary to St. John's T. A. society have elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:
Miss Belle Valentine, President; Miss Mary Murphy, vice president; Miss Mary Daley, recording secretary; Miss Mary Cox, financial secretary; Miss Nina Callahan, treasurer; Misses Ernestine Murphy, May Callen, Florence Boucher, and Mrs. Michael Scullion, Rev. Mr. Mitchell, the spiritual director of the auxiliary, was present and delivered a few remarks of encouragement. Routine business was transacted and several matters having to do with the future welfare of the society were considered.
The members of St. John's T. A. society will conduct a whist party and dance on Dec. 31 at the town hall and a fund-working committee is now at work perfecting arrangements. The proceeds to be derived from the event will go to the building fund. Marine's Crescent orchestra has been engaged

and will dispense pleasing music for the dancing.

To Help War Sufferers

A benefit concert and entertainment will be held in the town hall Jan. 13, 1915, the proceeds to go towards aiding families in the war stricken zones. The affair is backed up by Marine's Crescent orchestra and prominent business men of the village, and present indications point to its being an immense success. The following committee is in charge of the affair: Albert Melick, chairman; George W. Maribel, secretary and treasurer; Daniel Adams, chairman printing and advertising committees.

Shooting at Crystal Lake

The ice at Crystal Lake is in excellent condition and yesterday afternoon and evening hundreds of skaters had a most enjoyable time there. In the afternoon numerous hockey games were in progress when the writer visited the spot, and the youngsters engaged in the sport showed much skill in chasing the puck over the ice. Numerous wrangles took place during the game, and many of the players suffered from barked shins, received in

less scrapings. Many women and girls were on the ice and it was plain to be seen that they were taking much enjoyment out of the healthful and invigorating exercise. If the sun does not melt it in its work before Sunday the lake is sure to be taxed to capacity.

DANCE IN SCHOOL HALLS

SPRINGFIELD PARK DEPARTMENT INTRODUCES PLEASING SYSTEM OF "SOCIAL DANCING"

John W. Kernan, superintendent of parks, attended the second meeting of the Park Institute of New England held in Worcester city hall yesterday. Mr. Kernan said it was one of the most interesting meetings he ever attended. A Boston park department man was booked to speak on park legislation and he didn't show up. He was injured in an automobile accident and his subject was handled by Mr. Kernan. "The greatest treat of the day," said

Mr. Kernan, "was the talk by Supt. Ladd of the Springfield park department, 'Social Dancing' in connection with the park department and Mr. Ladd said it is working out beautifully. Five school halls have used six nights a week, accommodating six nationalities, Springfield is the first city to introduce 'social dancing' in school halls and Mr. Ladd's remarks so appealed to us all that we voted to have the next meeting in Springfield. Lowell will be well represented at the next meeting. The Springfield Women's club will send representatives and I think all of the park board members will attend."

HIS HAND CAUGHT IN MACHINE

While operating a piece of machinery at the Tremont and Suffolk mills today, David Martineau of 100 Allen avenue received an injury to his right hand. His hand slipped too far into the machine and the top of two fingers on his right hand were taken off. The ambulance was summoned at once and the man taken to the Lowell hospital where his injuries were dressed.

Graphic Description of the Great Empire and its Races and Grandeur

of Europe, Germany, England, Italy and Turkey—but was utterly unprepared to receive the splendor and magnificence of the Altargramm, with its pillars of clear high of lapis lazuli and malachite, its altar rails of solid ivory, containing half a ton of this precious metal, and its icons of pearls, studded with huge diamonds, sapphires, emeralds and rubies.

His religion is very real to the Russian, and his God is really omnipresent to him; he sees His spirit everywhere and everywhere acknowledges it with the sign of the cross and the words, 'Oh Lord! have mercy' or 'Gloria to Thee, O Lord!'

Mr. Grosvenor also brings out the surprising fact that Russia has in the neighborhood of 35,000,000 men be-

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N TOWN OF BILLERICA

News of Busy Village—New Parish House for St. Andrew's—Other Items of Interest.

Who will be the next chief of police of the town of Billerica?

This question is being discussed in town at the present time and no less than a dozen names are being mentioned as candidates for the position. While the townspeople are busy with their favorites, the three selections are quietly awaiting developments and have little to say on the matter of appointing a new police chief.

As far as can be learned no applications have been sent to the board of selectmen as yet. This would be an unnecessary move, however, as the selectmen have no power in the appointment until a list of eligible candidates has been submitted to them by the village service commission.

The commission has not been notified of the vacancy as yet. It seems, and in the meantime Roger Harrington is acting as a temporary successor to the late Sheriff Martin Conway. Chief Harrington will hold the office until the New Year as the process to come through will take up several weeks.

Among the candidates who will take examinations are Charles Bradley, driver of the rural delivery mail, wag-

on Charles Kemp, a wholesale beef dealer; Henry O'Brien, meat superintendent; Edward O'Connor, employed at Talbot's mill and a special police officer; and John J. Mcweeney, proprietor of the Billerica Express company.

Boys' and Males' Repair Shop

A change has been made in the running time of the Boys' and Males' repair shop. The shop work train now leaves this city at 7:30 o'clock in the morning arriving at the shops a few minutes before 8 when the day's work begins. The shops are in operation until 5 o'clock in the afternoon making an eight hour day. This schedule is in vogue five days a week, no work being done on Saturday except in cases of emergency.

St. Andrew's Parish House

The committee in charge of raising the fund for the new parish house of St. Andrew's church is still busy and it is reported that a large sum is already in hand. The parish house will undoubtedly be located near the North Village instead of on the other side of the river where the church now stands. Building operations will be started in the spring and the house will be ready

WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

KEEPING A ROOM TIDY

"It seems as though I never could keep our living room in order," complained Marjorie as she came upon the putting of things in her living room where she had just finished unwrapping a huge number of packages, the result of Madame's shopping tour.

"Why not make a 'catchall' like that one hanging inside the closet door? It will help very much in keeping your living room tidy."

"Tell me how to make one and I will do it," she said, enthusiastically broke in Marjorie.

"It is very easy," answered Marie. "If in every living room there were a handy receptacle for odds, a number of oft-mentioned-in-a-hurry things would not be thrown into a waste paper basket and finally upon an ash heap."

A sort of catchall that is ingenious as well as ornamental, and which may be hung up is made by simply facing a circle of material of about a yard's diameter with some of the same material.

for occupancy before the end of the summer.

The building of the parish house in the village means that the new church building—which is being considered by the parishioners—will also be erected in the heart of the town. That the members of the congregation will not be put to such an inconvenience to attend the services. The present church building has been used for nearly 100 years. It having been built as a meeting house by the church people of Billerica Centre. Since the village was removed to North Billerica it has been renovated many times but it is thought that a new church will be built in another year or two to accommodate the flock that is growing larger each year.

Whist Tournament

The standing in the Republican club whist tournament for turkeys is as follows: William McBride, 26; Joseph Garner, 26; Fred Hannan, 33; J. K. Forham, 31; Chester Nickerson, 20; Thomas Nickerson, 30; Walter Chandler, 33; R. T. Perry, 33; S. F. Pettin-gill, 36; Harry Chandler, 31; Arthur Smith, 31; J. P. McLean, 31; L. B. Morgan, 30; George Chandler, 27; Charles Walker, 27; E. L. Hammond, 27; A. S. Powers, 27; G. B. Lyon, 26; Dr. N. K. Forham, 26; Edgar P. Trembly, 27; W. E. Lawrence, 28; L. D. Butters, 29; John Bestwick, 31; L. Davidson, 30; Dennis Mahoney, 31.

Ladies of the G. A. H.

A well attended meeting of the G. A. H. was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Susan Cowdy. Plans are well underway for the installation of officers which will be held next month. A supper will be served and an excellent entertainment furnished. During the meeting Mrs. Whiteside was presented a framed American flag by Mrs. Butterworth, a member of the circle. The next meeting of the sewing circle will be held on December 30, with Mrs. Hubert Ellis of Boston road, North Billerica. It was announced that Mr. Franklin Jacquith of Billerica, a Civil war veteran, is seriously ill at his home.

Father's Mother T. A. Society

Considerable interest is shown weekly in the results of the pool tourna-

ments at the Father Mathew T. A. society and lively contests are scheduled for each week during the winter months. At this week's meeting of the society two applications for membership were received and accepted. A meeting of the committee of the Father Mathew T. A. society in conjunction with the Oldimers at the New Year's dance will be held at the hall Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Christmas will be appropriately observed in the churches of Billerica as committees are now diligently at work preparing programs for the Xmas services. In all churches, appropriate sermons will be given and musical programs will be rendered.

At the North Billerica Baptist church, there will be two Christmas trees heavily laden with presents on Christmas eve. Santa Claus will be present and an entertainment consisting of singing and recitations will be furnished by the children of the Sunday school. Previous to the exercises a supper will be served by the ladies of the church.

Billerica Grange

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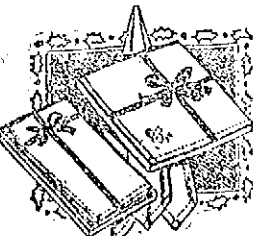
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Children's Woolen Gloves in tan, gray, navy and red.....25c Pair
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IN SO DOING TRAWLER WAS BLOWN UP AND 6 WERE KILLED—UNABLE TO COLLECT

LONDON, Dec. 15 (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A peculiar case was decided in the Grimsby county court in a claim brought under the workmen's compensation act against the owners of the Grimsby trawler, Kilmarnock, by John Risdale, chief engineer of the vessel.

The Kilmarnock left Grimsby on Sept. 23, on a fishing expedition, sighted some floating mines, and went in search of a warship to report to naval vessels. In so doing, the Kilmarnock struck a mine and blew up. The skipper and five men were killed, and John Risdale was so injured as to be totally incapacitated.

It was urged by the owners that Risdale could not recover compensation as his injuries were caused by the vessel striking the mine of an enemy at a time when the vessel was diverting its course to act as a messenger to the navy—had ceased to follow its ordinary occupation. The court upheld the defendants' contention.

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FOUR ESCAPE BY SLIDE DOWN BLANKET ROPE SIX BIG LIONS RUN WILD IN NEW YORK THEATRE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—Four prisoners in the Merrimack county jail here dared yesterday afternoon, and in a most sensational manner escaped from the institution.

Cutting a hole through the ceiling of a corridor during the temporary absence of the turnkeys, they climbed into an attic, thence to the roof, and slid 40 feet to the ground on a weak and shabby rope made of blankets.

Up to midnight all four were at large. Passes of police of this and the surrounding cities and towns are scouring the countryside. It is feared the escaped men have secured weapons and will not submit to capture without putting up a desperate fight.

The escape of the men was made shortly before 5 o'clock. With 10 or 12 other prisoners they were exercising in a corner of the jail—the old part of the institution—on the fourth floor, when one of them called all the men about him and told them that they could escape, that he would lead the way and the others must follow.

"And any that don't want to," he shouted, "just keep quiet and let the rest go away with it."

There was a ready acquiescence from the imprisoned men, and the

leader, boosted up on the shoulders of his companions, pulled a jagged instrument from his pocket, and backed a hole through the ceiling. He climbed through and then in turn three others followed. The remainder, four in all, made their escape in the same manner, and in the process of cutting their way through the ceiling, they cut off clothing and, descending their striped prison suits, cleaned it. Then, reaching up some boardwalks, they quickly tied them together into one big rope, and climbing through a window, made their way out to the roof. The blankets just reached to the street, 40 feet below, and with one end tied about a chimney pot, one by one they made the perilous descent.

The last man was just midway to the ground when James B. Brown of School street, jumping to pass, espied him. Running to a nearby store, he called out the telephone and gave alarm. By the time the turnkeys reached the street, though, the prisoners had disappeared.

Three of the men were serving short sentences for larceny. Henry Miller of Franklin, Ernest Hartford of Epsom, and John H. Brown of Boston, while the fourth, Paul Snow of Northwood, was awaiting trial on a charge of breaking and entering.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Six lions escaped from their cage on the stage of an East Eighth street vaudeville theatre yesterday, and, bounding into the audience, causing principally of women and children, caused a panic.

One lioness, Alice, the largest of the troop, escaped into a crowded street. Policemen pursued her into the hallway of a nearby apartment house and in shooting at her one of them accidentally fatally wounded a comrade, Sergeant Daniel Glenn.

Two other officers were slightly wounded by the claws of the beast in a battle at close range.

At sight of the lions, hundreds of persons in the theatre fled, screaming to the exits. Mothers delayed by gathering up their children crowded into corners and places of supposed safety. Scores fainted, and many, mired by the sight of the animals among them, sat transfixed in their seats.

With the exception of Alice, none of the beasts displayed great ferocity. A few persons who got in their paths were scratched, but none of them was seriously hurt.

"Five of the animals still were loose in the theatre when the last of the audience escaped. In their rush to safety spectators left all kinds of wearing apparel and personal belongings. Then for an hour the beasts roamed over the house from gallery to basement. But when they finally were rounded up by the lobby and driven into their shipping box none of them was injured.

Three arrests, charging criminal negligence, were made. These in custody are La Belle Andre, the lions' trainer; C. A. Turquist, their keeper, and George H. Hamilton, manager of the attraction. The lions were owned by Francis Ford, a showman, who had been exhibiting them at carnivals during the summer.

The animal act had been completed and a song and dance quartet held the stage in front of the first drop when the lions escaped. They were about to be transferred from the steel exhibition cage to their shipping box at the time.

According to Turquist, they became excited, rushed out of the steel cage, and knocking their shipping box aside were free behind the scenes. Madame Andre screamed, Turquist grabbed a whip, cracked it loudly and shouted at the lions, and frightened actors and actresses and theatre attaches began climbing stairways. One of the lions walked into the wings and peered at the quartet. The singing ceased abruptly.

Orchestra kept on playing. As the singers started to retreat into the wings, Detective Peter Cahill, who was in the audience, saw the lion and shouted to the entertainers to go on. One singer returned and began a solo. Suddenly a lion came into full view and all control of the audience was lost.

The orchestra, nevertheless, continued to play. The first lion ambled upon the stage, then a second and in a minute several of them were clambering into stage boxes and out into the audience. Still the orchestra began playing, until several lions came right down into the pit. Then the musicians fled under the stage.

Almost everybody in the audience later had a different version of what the animals did after they got among the crowd, but nearly all accounts agree that they did not live up to the dangerous name of the "King of Beasts." Edward J. Nitzburg said that he was so near him that he thought it best to sit still. He carried out this plan, and although the lion passed up and down the aisle near him six times he was unharmed.

One of the beasts caught up with Mark McDermott while he was hurrying down an aisle, so he lay down. The animal clawed him on the head and his wound appeared to be the most dangerous that any of the beasts inflicted. He was taken to a hospital.

Rescued by Firemen. The last of the audience to leave the theatre were several women found crouched up in a second-floor dressing room. They signalled firemen from a nearby engine house, who carried them down ladders to safety.

A throng was gathered outside the theatre, when Alice emerged and trotted slowly across the street. One stu-

dy was that when she poked her head into a saloon, a man came in and pulled her. Reaching the corner of Sixth street and Third avenue she calmly sat down.

A crowd in Third avenue began to shout and by policemen, with revolvers drawn, came rushing across the street from the theatre toward her. She turned north in Third avenue, crossed the thoroughfare and fled into an apartment house.

Archeron Glass, a photographer, was working on the first floor of the building when he heard a peculiar noise in the hall. He opened the door to investigate and stared into the face of the lioness. Stammering the door quickly he shouted for help.

The lioness turned a stairway and bounded up a flight. There two women peered from a doorway and seeing the animal shrieked and slammed the door. Again Alice fled, this time to the third floor, only to cause more screams from residents of the apartment house. When the police arrived Alice was at the top of a small stairway, seeking access to the roof.

Killed by 30 Bullets. For more than 10 minutes thereafter they were in the narrow hallway, a fierce battle between men and beast. Shot after shot—30 in all—were fired into the now raging animal. It growled and snarled, clashing, striking and biting at her assailants. Several times she leaped over the banis-

ter that protected the stairway, alighting heavily on the next landing. From a score of holes wounds blood ran, but the lioness was almost as full of fight when she finally dropped as when the first shot was fired. The end came after one of her spectacular leaps.

Bounding over a balustrade, she landed between the legs of Alfred Winter, a policeman, who stood with one foot on the railing and another against a wall firing at her. The force of the fall and the leaden hand of the lioness killed her.

It was while the firing was at its height that Sgt. Glenn was wounded. It is doubtful if it ever will be determined who in that squad of 10 men fired almost continuously, but he was shot through the back and the bullet was said to have entered his stomach. It was thought last night that he would die.

Two Claws By Alice. Both Edward H. Keaveny and James M. Craig, policemen, sustained wounds at the claws of Alice. Keaveny was severely lacerated that he was taken to a hospital.

Craig was holding to a round in a balustrade shooting at Alice when she sprang his hand. Reaching for the round he missed, though not severely. He continued at work.

Five of the animals were females and one male. All were young and considered valuable.

BOY IS RESCUED

Woman of 65 Plunged Into Icy Waters and Saved Lad

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 18.—A 65-year-old woman, Mrs. Josephine Rose, plunged into the waters of Webster's pond yesterday, smashing her way through the ice, to rescue Anthony Marks, aged 8, who had fallen into an air hole.

Mrs. Rose was alone in her house near the pond when she heard the child's screams. Undeterred by fear of the effect of such freezing cold on one of her years, she grabbed a long pole, and breaking the ice before her, waded in up to her waist.

From there she was able to reach the boy, with the pole. He managed to hold on to it, and she dragged him out. Both woman and child were put to bed and given stimulants, and physicians said last night they would probably be none the worse for their immersion. Anthony was taking a short cut across the pond to do an errand when he fell in.

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who are languid, sleepless and physically run-down get immediate relief and lasting benefits from the regular use of Scott's Emulsion after meals.

Its chief constituent is nature's greatest body-building force to strengthen the organs and nerve centers, grain by grain, to rebuild physical and mental energy. No alcohol or opiate in SCOTT'S. Refuse Substitutes.

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Come out new 1915 wheels. We have brought out many wheels heretofore, but never in all our experience have there been bicycles offered that are so perfect as our new models.

Roll the boy's Christmas present down to one and make it a bicycle. He will not kick.

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SAY WAR OVER IN EAST

GERMAN PAPERS CLAIM VICTORY IN POLAND GREATEST EVER—FRANCE VAN HINDENBURG

BERLIN, Dec. 18, via Amsterdam and London, Dec. 18, 1914 a. m.—The Lokal Anzeiger, commenting on the news of a German victory in Poland, says:

"Never since this old earth has had a history, has such a gigantic battle been fought. Scarcely in centuries has there been an event of such decisive importance. The battle of Poland will be classed in history among the victories of the first rank. It will be mentioned in the same breath with the battles of Salamis and Lepanto."

"We have to thank Van Hindenburg and the desperate courage of his troops who fought under the glorious banners of Germany and Austria."

The Tagesspiegel, after eulogizing the bravery and tenacity of the troops, particularly the West Prussians and Hessians, proceeds:

"This victory, with the defeat of the Russians, is a practically decisive because the Russians threw all their forces into the struggle in order to win a victory. From the most distant positions of the empire, Siberia and the Caucasus, the last reinforcements were hurled."

"Politically, the victory will have widespread importance, especially with the Balkan states. If one or the other of these states counted on the assistance of Russia, it will now recognize its vain hope."

"With this victory in the west Polish theatre, the campaign in the eastern theatre of the war is for the greater part decided."

CANAL EARNS \$1,000,000

ON NOV. 18 RECEIPTS IN TOLLS HAD PASSED THIS MARK, SHOWING A PROGRESSIVE USE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The tolls on vessels making use of the Panama canal reached and passed the \$1,000,000 mark Nov. 18, representing dues collected from 257 vessels, of which 30 were loaded on passenger boats. The receipts, which began with \$1,210 per day Aug. 15, when the canal was used by barges only, reached \$457,242 for the month of October, showing a substantial and progressive increase.

The largest part of the tolls was made up of coast-hauling trade between the east and west coasts of America, which made up more than 60 per cent of the total tonnage of 1,297,151.

CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH

MEMBERS OF CREW OF CRUISER EMDEN HAD ESCAPED FROM COCOS ISLAND

TOKYO, Dec. 18.—Certain British warships have captured three members of the crew of the German cruiser Emden who escaped at Cocos island when the cruiser was destroyed Nov. 15 by the Australian cruiser Sydney. The German sailors went to sea in a Cocos island schooner named Aysa.

Four men of the Emden were ashore on Cocos island when their vessel was sunk by the Sydney. Under the command of Lieut. Muecke, they commandeered the Cocos island schooner, loaded it with provisions and sailed away. A dispatch from Manila said these men later captured a collier on which they mounted two machine guns, evidently brought with them from the Emden and began raiding commerce in the Pacific.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

TWO INQUESTS HELD BY JUDGE PICKMAN

Gives Findings on the Death of Christopher Toy and A. Caie—B. & M. Not Responsible

Two inquest findings were submitted by Judge John J. Pickman at the office of local police court this morning.

The first was on the death of Christopher Toy, aged 25 years, unmarried, whose body was found on the railroad tracks on the night of Sunday Nov. 15. The circumstances of the accident were described in detail and in conclusion he found "that the death of Christopher Toy was not caused by the criminal negligence of said Boston & Maine railroad, nor of its officers, agents or servants." He found that Toy intended to ride in said train to Worcester, Mass., where he was employed, but he had no lawful right to jump thereon at the Pleaschery station, which was not a stopping station for the train, and that he had not the rights of a passenger on said train.

The second finding was on the death of a man designated as "A"—Caie, whose home is said to be in Montreal, Canada, and whose dead body was found on the railroad tracks, near the Middlesex street station, on the morning of Tuesday, Nov. 17, death being caused by being run over by a freight train. His Honor found that the railroad was "not criminally negligent."

SHOPLIFTING IS CHARGED HEARING COMES BACK

MRS. LYDIA GOODWIN, AGED 80 YEARS, OF NEWBURYPORT, RE- GAINS FACULTY WHILE ASLEEP

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 18.—A remarkable recovery of hearing has occurred to Mrs. Lydia Goodwin, 87 Temple street, who for over six months had been unable to hear anything except through an ear trumpet or by one talking to her in a very loud voice.

Mrs. Goodwin a few days ago was sleeping on a couch at her home, and upon awakening she heard the sound of dogs barking from a neighboring house, and later heard an automobile go through the street, something she had been unable to hear for some time. Mrs. Goodwin is about 80 years of age, and regarding her hearing at this time of her life has made her very happy, although she is at a loss to know how to account for it.

A good carving set makes a fine present. The Thompson Hardware Co. has a great assortment, 75c to \$25.

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French War Office

ADVANCE IN BELGIUM BY FRENCH—TAKE TRINCHES IN REGION OF ARRAS AFTER BATTLE

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The French war office this afternoon gave out an official communication as follows: "The day of Dec. 17 was marked, as we said yesterday, by an advance on our part in Belgium, where every counter-attack undertaken by the enemy failed."

"In the region of Arras a vigorous offensive made us masters of several trenches. These are located at Auchy, La Bassée, St. Laurent and Hangey. At this last mentioned place we occupied, on a front more than one kilometre long almost all the first line trenches of the enemy."

"In the region of Tournai-Val on the Aisne and in Champagne our heavy artillery won distinct advantages."

"In the Argonne the Germans blew up one of our trenches to the north of Four de Paris and endeavored to move out from their positions with three battalions of troops. This infantry attack, as well as one they undertook at St. Hubert, was repulsed."

"To the east of the Meuse and in the Vosges there is nothing to re-

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LADIES' SPECIALTY SHOP

133 MERRIMACK STREET

TWO HOLDUP MEN GET

DISCUSS EUROPEAN WAR WITH LONE TAILOR, THEN SUDDENLY WHIP OUT REVOLVER

RANDOLPH, Dec. 18.—Two men carrying a suitcase, entered the tailor shop of John Gilman about dusk yesterday afternoon and asked the proprietor if he had much work. Told he had, they asked if he had any money. They again received a negative reply.

Then the conversation became general for about 15 minutes, touching upon the European war and other matters. Suddenly one of the men who wore a soft hat, whipped out a revolver, pointed it at Gilman's head and ordered him to "deliver."

Gilman handed the man \$1. With a word the pair ran downstairs and boarded a passing car for Brockton. Gilman had 57 cents more which thieves didn't wait for. When, an hour later he had recovered a self-possession he told Chief of Police McGee about it, and the chief of the Brockton police.

The companion of the holdup man described as wearing a derby and a pair of dark-colored clothing, the strangers as wearing dark-colored clothes.

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But it is only seen by those who pass your way. If you could put a sign where everyone could see it would it interest you?

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In where people look for you when they want to do business. You should make it easy for them to find you, by putting such information as a business wants, in the Directory properly indexed under all headings where he might look for you. To be properly registered costs less than to be left out.

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You will find a wonderful assortment of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass and Toilet Sets at our store, at extremely low prices.

Solid Gold Bracelets \$5.00 to \$35.00

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Diamond Rings \$20 to \$200

Diamond Pendants \$5 to \$50

Diamond Watches \$25 to \$100

Diamond Bracelets \$12 to \$100

Diamond Collar Links \$7 to \$25

Ladies' Watches \$6 to \$100

Signal Rings \$3 to \$15

Ladies' Stone Rings \$3 to \$15

Children's Gold Rings \$1 to \$3

Gents' Gold Fobs \$3 to \$10

Ladies' Gold Fobs \$2 to \$5

Latest Rosaries \$1 to \$6

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Shaving Stands \$2.50 to \$15

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NEW STORE—NEW GOODS

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GEO. H. WOOD

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

Big Cuts in Army Engineering Board Appropriation Estimates in Bill as Reported in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Big cuts in the army board estimates for engineering and harbor improvement projects throughout the country—in some instances more than 50 per cent.—are in the annual river and harbor appropriation bill as reported to the house today. The committee on river and harbor appropriation, which has been working on the bill for several weeks, has reported it to the house with a number of amendments. The bill provides for a total appropriation of \$13,128,550. No provision is made for new projects, the bill providing only for the maintenance of existing projects. The committee has also reported a number of amendments to the bill, including a provision for the construction of a new harbor at New Haven, Conn., and a provision for the construction of a new harbor at Boston, Mass.

LOCAL HUMANE SOCIETY

THE OFFICE OF THE LOWELL HUMANE SOCIETY IN THE OLD BOSTON & MAINE BUILDING IS ONE OF THE BUSIEST PLACES AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BEING HELD BY THE YACHT CLUB AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BEING HELD BY THE YACHT CLUB.

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NEW TRADE COMMISSION

PRES. WILSON MAKES COMMON-SENSE THE CHIEF QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson has let it be known that he has made common-sense the chief qualification of the five members he is to nominate as the new trade commission within the next two weeks. He does not desire theoreticians for the commission but men who will be able to intelligently deal with business conditions in the United States. Politics, it is said, will not govern the make-up of the board, although at least one republican probably will be named. Among the numerous men whose names are under consideration are Joseph Davies, commissioner of corporations, A. C. Thurman, solicitor of the commerce department, E. N. Hurley, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' association, John E. Richardson of Tennessee, Thomas Fielder of Georgia, George Rublee of New Hampshire, Samuel Rogers of North Carolina, Prof. Henry J. Winters of Kansas, E. A. Krauthoff of Missouri and W. B. Westlake of Indiana.

TALES OF THE SEA

Jas. B. Connolly Speaks Before Fourth Degree K. of C. Men

James B. Connolly, the famous athlete and writer of sea stories, who recently won a \$2500 prize in a contest conducted by Collier's, in which Theodore Roosevelt was one of the judges, gave a brief but pithy address last evening before the members of the Fourth degree, Bishop Delaney assembly, Knights of Columbus, at the club rooms, Anne street. So full of realism was his talk, so graphic with thrilling incident, so filled with the atmosphere of the sea and all relating to it, and so vivid in the light of personal experience, that it was easy for the imaginative to call up pictures of the dories manned by brave Gloucester fellows pitching and tumbling in the great waves of the banks, to see the lashed spars and to hear the steady wind that often brings sorrow to the lowly homes of Gloucester and Newfoundland. Mr. Connolly's talk was not of a formal nature, but was for the most part an intimate relation of unique experiences such as one would like to hear over a winter fire when the winds whistle outside.

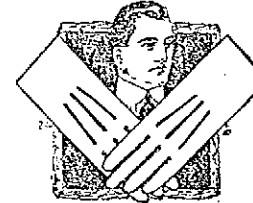
In opening, Mr. Connolly described the old methods of fishing from the dory when each fisherman was then a lone fisherman and kept an account of the catch, being paid according to the returns. Now the fishing is done on the cooperative plan, each sharing equally in the entire catch. Though the life at present is surrounded with terrible dangers, it was far more dangerous in the old days, for when the fishing smacks were anchored in shoal water there was little chance for escape, if a gale arose. It is on record that out of collisions on the banks in heavy weather, only one boat came ashore. Often one night's storm brought death and destruction to thousands. During the famous "black night" on the grand banks, 275 lost their lives from Gloucester alone. Under the present system the shipper of the schooner has charge of the dories, ordering them out and recalling them by a signal, usually a light on the mast. Each dory is manned by two men and has from one tub to four tubs of trawls, generally with 600 hooks to a trawl, arranged at definite distances. Almost any man can haul a trawl, but it takes an experienced man to haul it properly, making the dory help in the process. Mr. Connolly in the course of his talk frequently asserted his belief that for skill and daring the dory men lead the world in all relating to sea life. Not only must a doryman watch the trawls but he must keep his eye on the waves, timing them and paddling with an eye for the swell, which means a great deal. Such an accident usually means death to him, for three-fourths of the fishermen cannot swim a stroke. The average doryman, he said, takes more chances than the average soldier now at the front.

The anecdotes and personal experiences told by Mr. Connolly were probably the most interesting part of the lecture. He said that most people have no idea of the sufferings and heroism back of those newspaper tales of exposure in an open boat for two, five or eleven days and to illustrate told of Blackburn, the man who has crossed the Atlantic so many times in small boats, but whose first experience came aboard Blackburn went astray with his doryman in February, 1913, miles S. S. E. of Cape Race. The wind blew northwest—the coldest wind on the Atlantic. After a while Blackburn's dory could row no more and in spite of all encouragement he went to the dory and gave up. Blackburn talked to him until there was no answer. They had gone adrift on Tuesday night, Thursday night it blew a blizzard. Blackburn, realizing that he could not save his hands curled his fingers around the oars until they were frozen and then started to row ashore, with the added incentive of providing a trial for his doryman. He had to go ashore but lost his fingers and toes. If asked about this or any kindred experience, Blackburn will relate the humorous side. He tells how once when he was getting ready to cross the Atlantic two ladies came to him and presented him with a parting gift. One was a half dozen bottles of cologne and the other was a half dozen bottles of linen handkerchiefs. Mr. Connolly also told of Joe Mason, Jimmie Allen, Freddie, Bill-down-Joe, and many other characters famous in the annals of the fishers, many of whom are close friends of the lecturer. He told eloquently of their bravery, of which they seem utterly unconscious, and of their skill in their wonderful sea instinct and primitive intelligence. They don't pose as heroes. Once Mr. Connolly noted how the crew of the Mauretania presented Capt. Pitcher a leaving card and a set of resolutions for bringing the Commander through the storms of the banks. He had just read the account to the wharf where he met Billy Thomas, Billy had weathered the same gale, but in a fishing smack. When asked about it he admitted that it blew pretty stiff but was nothing much. When Connolly told Billy about the presentation to the Mauretania captain, the fisherman was incredulous. "Quit yer kidding," he said. "I've some fish found," said the lecturer in the mountains and the plains—the men that are heroes but wholly unconscious of their worth. One of the most amusing incidents was that of the man who left the sea, saved to Connolly about the superior advantages of a full life and the home circle every evening and in a month was back on the sea again. When re-contrasted with he said he could not bear the bells calling him to work and wound up with: "You should see the man I had to take orders from: if he had him here we wouldn't cut him up for bait." The outlook of the fisherman's life is summed up in the answer of one who said to Mr. Connolly: "Yes, it's pretty tough but thank God the fishin's good."

JOSEPH CAMERON DEAD

WAS SUPREME RECORDED OF CATHOLIC MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION OF U. S. AND CANADA

HORNELL N. Y., Dec. 18.—Joseph Cameron, supreme recorded of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Assn. of the United States and Canada and a member of the board of managers of the Willard state hospital, died at his home here today.



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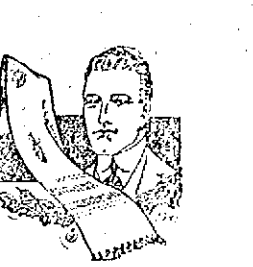
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- Mackinaw Coats, plain colors, plaids and Indian designs. \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10
- Bath Robes, Button-to-Neck or Shawl Collar models, \$5, \$6, \$7.50
- Navajo Art Craft Robes. \$10, \$12, \$15
- Dress Vests, in pique or mercerized fabrics. \$3, \$5
- Walking Canes, 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2
- Umbrellas. \$1, \$1.50 up to \$5
- Pajamas, Soisette, Flannelette or Mercerized, some initialed. \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$3
- Collar Bags of velvet or silk, silk lined. \$1, \$1.50
- Golf Jackets, heavy Shaker knit, some with collars. \$3, \$5, \$6
- Shirts, for dress or business, Mackinaw and our own special label shirts. \$1, \$1.50, \$1.65 up to \$3.50
- Neckwear, woven, knitted and crocheted silks, 25c, 50c up to \$2
- Mufflers, knitted silks, for dress wear. \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$5, \$6
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- Hosiery, Hile or silk. 25c, 50c
- Handkerchiefs, lawn, linen and silk—initialed or plain. 12 1-2c, 25c, 50c
- Cuff Links and Scarf Pins. 50c, \$1, \$1.50
- Combination Sets—Neckwear and Hose; Neckwear, Hose and Handkerchiefs; Suspenders and Garters; Belt and Garters; Belt, Garters and Arm Bands; Full Dress Muffler and Hose; Shirt, Neckwear and Hose, etc.

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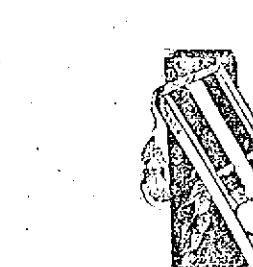
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TOWN OF DRACUT NEWS

Com. Carmichael Promises Fire Protection—Navy Yard People Favor Annexation

As a result of a conference between the commissioner of water and fire of this city and a committee from the town of Dracut, the city of Lowell will hereafter give the neighboring town fire protection without cost, for the commissioner claims it would be the duty of the city to accept any money from Dracut.

At the last town meeting of Dracut it was voted to ask the city of Lowell to protect the Dracut property in case of fire and the solicitors were authorized to enter upon some contract with the city in that respect, the sum of \$500 being appropriated for that purpose. A committee consisting of Chairman Fred A. Pollard, Selectmen Percy A. Smith, Victor Cluff and James J. McManmon and Town Council Warren W. Fox were appointed and on several occasions they have tried to get in touch with Commissioner H. Carmichael of this city, but their efforts have always been useless, until last Tuesday when the men came together at city hall.

The committee from Dracut explained their mission to the commissioner and they said they were authorized to enter upon some contract with the city of Lowell for fire protection and informed him \$500 had been voted for that purpose. Mr. Carmichael informed his visitors it would be illegal to enter upon such a contract and assured them the fire department of Lowell would respond to all calls coming from Dracut without any compensation, so long as he would be in office as commissioner of water and fire. He stated, however, the department would not respond in extremely dangerous times when in the judgment of the chief it would not be safe to weaken the local department. He said the city cannot accept any pay, but if the town feels disposed to make donations to the Firemen's Relief association it may do so. He concluded by giving his word of honor that Dracut will be protected in case of fire by the Lowell

department, as a kind turn from a neighboring city.

This bit of good news was quickly spread about the town, but many feel that Lowell will get tired, as it did in the past, of chasing to Dracut, and they would like to know how the Lowell department will be more efficient in extinguishing a blaze than the Dracut department if no water is available. What Dracut really wants is water, first, in order to get fire protection later.

Annexation

The result of the annexation meeting held in Kenwood last week has been favorably commented upon by residents of other districts of the town and it is safe to say that inasmuch as the residents of Elmwood, Kenwood, Brookside and Belle Grove have broken the ice, other districts will soon start a similar movement, and it was predicted yesterday by a prominent citizen of the town that before the river road district is annexed to Lowell, all of Dracut will be asking to be annexed to the city.

Town Library

The trustees of the town library in the Centre village have purchased a very useful piece of display furniture which is expected to arrive soon. This will be utilized to hold photographs of old homes and other interesting places of Dracut and will mean the preservation of these relics. Silas E. Colburn of the Navy Yard, one of the trustees of the library, is deeply interested in the purchase of this new piece of furniture.

Interesting Lecture

Rev. Ernest C. Bartlett, pastor of the Yellow Meeting house and one of the most popular residents of the Centre village, was a guest of the Men's club of the Grace Universalist church in this city last night. The evening was spent in an interesting talk on "Ireland and Scotland," giving a vivid description of these two countries as he saw them a few years ago. His remarks were listened to with great interest by Rev. Mr. Bartlett is a fluent speaker and his knowledge of his subject made it an easy task for him to interest his listeners. The lecture was illustrated with beautiful slides and proved one of the best ever given before this popular organization. At the close of the evening the speaker was extended a vote of thanks.

Public Schools

The public schools in the town closed this afternoon for the holidays and will reopen on the Monday following Christmas. Appropriate exercises were held in each class. The children were highly entertained by the teachers and they were also the recipients of goodies and valuable gifts.

Good Fishing

Three residents of the town, prominent in sporting circles, went fishing Monday and they reported a fairly good catch. The men were equipped with all the paraphernalia needed for fishing through the ice and ventured on the waters of Long pond and spent the afternoon in pulling in pickerel. Despite the fact that the men were shivering with death, for the ice was no more than a half inch in thickness, no accident occurred and in the evening when they returned they carried with them 19 large pickerel.

Miscellaneous

The committee in charge of the recent fair conducted under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor society of the Centre church reported to the organization and the report was very favorable. It was stated that the attendance and receipts this year greatly exceeded that of previous years and the committee was discharged with thanks. Chester Peabody is building a bungalow in Bridge street, Centre village. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fox of Bridge street have returned from a week's stay at Warner, N. H.

U. C. Coffin has purchased a large tract of land in Bridge street from Warren W. Fox and in the spring will build a home.

Miss Annie Hague of Pleasant street slipped on the ice near her home and received a bad cut on the knee. Her injury will keep her confined to her home for some time.

Charles Hayes, U. S. N., is enjoying a furlough at his home in the Navy Yard.

James J. McManmon is building a barn on his property known as the Kelley farm and located on Methuen street.

A two-tenement house is being constructed by a Polish family near the Kenwood school.

Mr. J. Folsom is building a cottage on his land near McManmon's greenhouses.

HIGHLAND CLUB

Two Interesting Games Rolled Among Members Last Night

There was plenty of excitement last night on the Highland club alleys when Team Eight met Team Three and Team Six backed up against Team One. The majority of the club members flocked down stairs to the alleys while the contests were on.

Team Eight showed far different form last night than they did on their first appearance a week ago and took all four points from Team Three. Although all of the strings were close on the first few boxes Team Eight finished strong and romped home an easy winner.

In the other match a new single string record was made by Erdin and his teammate, Thimber, put up the highest total of the evening. The totals are as follows:

TEAM SIX—Crockett, 262; Culver, 243; Potter, 230; Fiske, 275; Thimber, 259. Totals 1299.

TEAM ONE—Alberty, 262; Emmott, 244; Strauss, 244; Goodworth, 244; Wainwright, 252. Totals 1246.

TEAM EIGHT—Woodward, C. 244; Clark, 242; Woodard, E. 253; Dodge, 237; Wing, 243. Totals 1219.

TEAM THREE—Dickerman, 230; Barton, 235; Byram, 247; Burckishaw, 220; Russell, 220. Totals 1152.

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LEAGUES AT WORK

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In the Concord league a new team single string record was made by the Columbians. This quintet rolled 523 for their second string. The Columbians defeated the Lowell Co-Operative, a hundred sticks.

The Mercantile league staged three matches. Con Leary's Waldorf Lunch team winning seven out of eight possible points by rolling two games, one against the Hotel Shoe Co. and the other against the Lowell Co-Operative.

In the Minor league the Braves took three points from the Mathews. In the Y. M. C. A. league the Stars won from the Cherokees, although Condon of the latter team put up a new league record with a total of 237. The Wanderers also defeated the Partickets in this league.

The Textile league got down to business again yesterday afternoon and rolled off 144 matches. The Sophs proved too strong for the Design men and the Freshmen lost out in the seniors.

The Crescent All Star match was a big disappointment to those who expected to witness some superlative bowling. The All Stars won the game by three pins by no remarkable bowling features. The totals:

CRESCENTS—Jewell, 250; Concanan, 261; Johnson, 271; Lebrun, 267; Kelley, 282; total, 1337.

ALL STARS—Winnin, 247; Buckley, 271; Lane, 204; O'Brien, 211; McDermott, 225; total, 1258.

DESIGNERS—Pitts—L'Esperance, 245; P. Descheneaux, 251; Preston, 232; A. Descheneaux, 253; Schomborn, 231; totals, 1272.

DAINTY CHAPS—Dalton, 249; Lamoureux, 253; Theriault, 260; L. Descheneaux, 255; Chouinard, 245; totals, 1222.

WALDORF LUNCH—C. O'Leary, 274;

Cattalan, who has led the Chicago Americans three seasons.

Callahan will be appointed to some position connected with the business affairs of the club, it was announced, with the idea that eventually he will be able to shoulder some of the duties now falling to Owner Condukey.

The disposition of "Kik" Gleason, coach and adviser to Callahan, was not given out, but it was rumored he might be appointed manager of the New York Americans.

The shift in management, with the appointment of Eddie Collins as captain in place of "Buck" Weaver, indicated a change in the field policy of the White Sox.

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Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"A fight with two ounce gloves for a purse of \$200 is reported to have taken place Tuesday morning in a barn near Nashua, on the Lowell road between Joseph Flaherty of Lowell and John Dorelle of Nashua. Dorelle won in 10 rounds."

The Flaherty brothers, Tom, Joe and Martin, were celebrated boxers in their day. Martin, achieving a national reputation, Tom and Joe have both passed away, but Martin is very much alive and is engaged in the laudable business of keeping other men alive, for he is the "Bully" Muldoon, of Lowell, though for more accommodating, than Muldoon, for it is necessary to journey out to White Plains, N. Y., to be treated by Muldoon while Martin treats his patients at home. Upon retiring from the prize ring Martin Flaherty took up the study of the theoretical side of physical culture and osteopathy, having had years of experience with the practical end of it and at present is busily engaged in that line of work and to many is known as "Dr." Flaherty. Columns could be written about Martin's career in the ring, and later I'll relate a few incidents of the days when as a sporting editor I followed Martin around the ring. But just now let me tell you of how Martin and Joe stopped one over the city marshal and the sports of Nashua, long ago. It was almost 25 years ago, Joe had been boxing in the vicinity of Lowell and was well known while Martin had just returned from the west and was a comparative stranger to the up-country sports. Joe was advertised to box one Dan McGovern of East Boston, at the Nashua Opera house, a barn-like hall over the depot in Main street, on a Thanksgiving afternoon. The match was to be at 15 rounds for the gate receipts. On the morning of the holiday Joe received word that McGovern would not make his appearance. The bout had been well-advertised in the up-river city and it seemed a shame to lose money on it. Then it was decided that Martin and Joe appear and do a friendly sparring match, and they certainly could do a great fake boxing stunt. But one of the real-wise advisers said: "Say, Martin, nobody knows you in Nashua. You go up there as McGovern and fake it with Joe. Of course it will be a draw and nobody will lose anything by betting and the bunch up there won't know the difference." Thus it was decided and each accompanied by a bunch of Lowell sports went to Nashua by different routes and introduced themselves about town for a couple of hours preceding the time for the bout. When they appeared in the ring they immediately started a fake struggle about the weight but finally agreed to go it, after calling each other pet names. They sat in their corner glaring at each other like two strange bull-dogs, and the late City Marshal Eaton, who was at the ringside, after sizing them up remarked: "I think there's bad blood between those two fellows, but if they start

anything rough, I'll stop the bout; that's all there is to it."

The referee was a Lowell man who, of course, was in on the deception.

When the time came to start the hostilities the referee cried out: "Shake hands."

"Shake, nothing," growled Martin. "Not on your life," said Joe.

"If I jumped the city marshal and he said: 'You fellows shake hands, or you don't box!'"

Slowly approaching the centre of the ring with their heads averted the brothers grudgingly extended their gloved hands until the tips touched and that was the hand-shake. Then they started, and talk about a corking fake; they roughed it until the Nashua bunch were yelling "foul" like a bunch of madmen.

In response to each cry of "foul" the referee calmly remarked: "That foul was unintentional and didn't jeopardize the other man's chances." Then he'd admonish the offender against repeating the infraction of the rules.

At the conclusion of the third round they kept on bawling away at each other after "time" had been called, and the city marshal was half-way over the ropes before they were taken to their corners. It went along until the seventh round, one of the best "scraps" ever seen in Nashua and in the seventh the marshal thought it was getting too rough and he decided to stop it. One of the Lowell men sitting beside him said: "Sit down, they're only fooling; they're two brothers."

The city marshal felt deeply insulted to think that anyone would take him for such a lube as to believe that the two men apparently trying to knock each other's heads off were brothers, and he jumped into the ring and stopped the bout while the referee declared all bets off on account of police interference.

The Nashua sports unanimously declared it to be the best fight they had ever seen and the city marshal declared that if anyone named Flaherty or McGovern attempted to pull off another bout in his domain they'd wind up in the cooler.

After the crowd had departed Martin and Joe presented themselves before the city marshal and smilingly allowed that they slept in the same bed. For a moment the marshal was inclined to relent, the deception backlashed upon him but then he grinned and remarked: "Wait you're the best pair of fakirs I ever looked at."

Fire Department Appointments

In its report of the meeting of the board of aldermen of 25 years ago the current week, the old Sun had the following:

"Henry W. Burton was appointed and unanimously confirmed as an assistant engineer of the fire department."

"Frank E. Collins was appointed a permanent member of the fire department."

Henry Conlan was appointed a driver. Joseph Banford and Llewellyn A. Caldwell were appointed call firemen."

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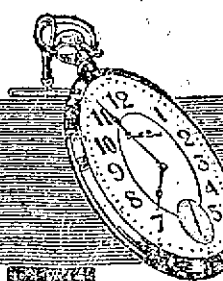
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To sit in a room where the thermometer registers in the eighties is injurious, not only for the health, but from a beauty standpoint as well, and the drier the heat the more damaging.

It will dry out the natural oil of the skin and leave the face lined, sallow and parched.

You can always pick out the woman who hugs her radiator, indulges in

stale air, and bathes scantily. Her complexion is like a faded rose.

'Tis better to have the house under-heated than overheated. However radiant the picture, do not indulge too frequently in the open fireside scene.

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GERMANY'S NAVAL DASH

In spite of the attempt of the British admiralty to minimize the significance of the German bombardment of Harborough, Scarborough and Whitby, it will be regarded by the entire world as one of the momentous incidents of the war, and in all probability it will have an effect in shaping the future naval and military policy of England. It is out of the question that Germany should have planned and executed such a daring feat without some ulterior end in view, as the actual results were too slight to justify the risk. Germany must have known that the bombardment would stimulate England, and it is not natural, therefore, to assume that Germany expects some result which shall overbalance the renewed English naval vigilance and increased enthusiasm, shown by the flocking of hundreds of young men to the recruiting stations.

There is every reason to suppose that Germany's main end was to create some lack of confidence in the minds of the people of England who have been led to believe that England is mistress of the seas and that no foreign foe could come near enough to offer her violence. Should this lack of confidence be generated by the German attack, the English masses would in all probability demand that more of their soldiers be kept at home for the protection of their own country instead of being sent to the continent to aid the armies of France and Belgium. As England has relied almost entirely on her navy for national defence, comparatively few soldiers have been kept at home, so that, to strengthen the land defences, troops would have to be withdrawn from the continent. As seen by Germany, therefore, it is very probable that it had the battlefields of Flanders in mind when it sent its fast cruisers to shell the coast of England.

Again, the German attack may have an effect in changing the naval policy of England—a policy, by the way, which has been attacked by some strong British interests at several times during the war. Unless greater protection is given the coast towns and cities—and those along the east coast call for the greatest degree of protection—a strong feeling of apprehension will be generated throughout the entire country. With the proper weather conditions there seems to be no reason why Germany cannot at will repeat the success of Wednesday, a fact which will keep the coast people of England in terrible suspense until the admiralty reassures the English people of their readiness for future emergencies of the kind. Surely England will not take kindly to the statement that the naval policy will not be changed while there is a possibility of a German fleet coming from Kiel through mined seas and under the noses of English fleet and fort guns to throw death and destruction into English coast cities.

From the English point of view it is very well to assume that the bombardment by the German cruisers will stimulate English recruiting, but this looks rather like a laborious searching for the silver lining. Far better that recruiting should be boosted in some other way.

This sortie by the German fleet will serve as a warning to England to be prepared for other attacks of a similar kind at widely distant points. The German ships evidently made good use of their spies in selecting the most vulnerable points on the coast of England. They had the pathway cleared of mines for this special dash across the North sea while the British ships dare scarcely move lest they be blown to atoms by mines. Germany's game has worked in her favor thus far but as the German onslaught in the Pacific was followed by swift retribution, we venture the prediction that similar retribution will follow in this case and that despite German strategy and German courage the German fleet will soon receive a staggering blow from their British rivals. It takes some time to stir the blood of the Briton but when he becomes thoroughly aroused he is a personage of dogged disposition and wonderful resource. There will be a sequel to the bombardment sortie that will fully vindicate the honor and efficiency of the British navy.

PENROSE FOR PRESIDENT

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania is definitely in the race for president in 1916 so that President Wilson and all the other candidates may have to step aside. The name of Penrose is widely known if not favorably, known throughout the country in connection with the corrupt republican machine of Pennsylvania and his presidential boom is launched by no less a paper than the Blairsville Courier, which for influence, prestige, political presence and journalistic probity will stand as a rival to the Huntington Banner, the Frost-town Times, the Ringville Bugle or the Clapperton Gazette. Blairsville has a population of 6,000 odd souls and the Blairsville Courier being the leading paper of the town, must have a guaranteed circulation of over 300. The privilege of giving the primal impetus to the boom for a presidential candidate was certainly a red letter event for the Courier and it is daily proclaimed in flaming letters on the front page of that distinguished organ. That must certainly give Mr. Penrose a great boost. It is the first gun of the Penrose campaign and the echo is more resounding than that of the 22 centimetre siege guns of the German army. The Courier recounts the political triumphs of Senator Penrose, the evils of democratic rule and the need of putting up a skyhigh tariff wall to keep out foreign goods. This clarion voice from the home of political corruption fails to note the fact that at the present time there is no foreign competition. The republican theory of keeping out imports and of having the home market all to ourselves is having the most complete application ever given it. We see the result and yet Senator Penrose, who doubtless wrote the article in the Blairsville Courier, says that one sole trouble with the country today is democratic rule and the low tariff. Senator Penrose would rehabilitate the old republican party, restore the trusts and the high tariff that sheltered them. Then the brand of politics that prevails in Pennsylvania would bloom again and be extended all over this country under the benign influence of President Penrose and his official organ, the Blairsville Courier, guaranteed circulation over 300.

THE LITERACY TEST

It is well that, in anticipation of a great influx of immigrants from Europe after the war, this country should seek to regulate the inflow so as to safeguard American industrial and social institutions, but as on former occasions, the wrong method is being pursued by those who are agitating the bill containing the much discussed literacy test clause. Typico bo-

lous, the chronic laborer, but let us have the strong and willing worker, whether he can read or not.

OUR NAVAL SHORTAGE

The testimony brought out by the house naval committee in Washington, thus far, in the course of the present inquiry into our naval affairs, reveals two prominent facts, viz: that the administration has never sought to conceal any activity or effects of inactivity in the conduct of the navy, and secondly, that we are by no means in first class condition. Taken together, these facts prove that we must go back further than the present regime to find the source of the trouble and that we must improve our equipment unless we are to retrogress. The inquiry also proves that political agitations on such subjects are as unnecessary as they would be injurious.

One of the most surprising admissions is that made by Asst. Secretary Roosevelt that we are "from 30,000 to 50,000 men short of the needs of the navy, as laid down in the confidential war plans of the war college." Judging from the published policies of Secretary Daniels since he assumed the secretaryship of the navy, everything possible has been done, consistent with efficiency, to make the life more attractive for our young men. Yet, the navy is short of men while in all our cities hundreds of boys either loaf aimlessly or work under far more disagreeable conditions and for less wages. In the navy of the present, a young man may, if he be ambitious, prepare for a prosperous future by applying himself to one of the trade courses, and the government does everything in reason to make his life pleasant and liveable. Still, there is no need for alarm as the "preparedness" issue does not apply to this country with the same force as to the powers which are now at war. The government should remedy the apparent defects, but rarely and without inflaming popular passion.

BLEASE'S RECORD

While the agitation concerning pardons is in the air it will not do to overlook the unprecedented pardoning record made by Governor Blease of South Carolina, who, during the past three years, has pardoned 1430 criminals and who now announces that on Christmas day he will set free the last 50 remaining in the penitentiary. The people of South Carolina may or may not be exceptionally pious, but it is questionable if they will look with approval at the wholesale turning loose of murderers, thieves, and every form of criminal on the community, to grace a governor's holiday. Still, they cannot consistently blame anybody but themselves, for Blease is governor by popular choice and when popular choice runs mad, what can we expect? Luckily even the radical element of a state that does not show up in an enviable light has tired of the amazing official who is about to retire to private life. But, in opening the modern Bastille what horrors may be not pile up for South Carolina for the next few years? Some things any form.

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YOUNG CUCKOOS ARE JEALOUS

The English cuckoo, like the American cuckoo, leaves its single egg in the nests of birds much smaller than itself, like the hedge sparrow, the pied wagtail and the window pipit. When the young cuckoo—a veritable giant in comparison with its nestmates—is a few days old, it pushes its companions out of the nest and thus becomes the sole object of the care of its tiny foster parents.

A DIPLOMATIC TIP

At a time when it was thought that Germany wanted to get a foot-hold in Holland Bismarck and the Dutch ambassador stood watching a review of the German army. As a well set up body of men marched past the ambassador said: "Fine soldiers, but too short." Then came the Grenadiers, between six and seven feet tall, nevertheless the ambassador's comment was the same as before: "Fine soldiers, but too short."

"What does your excellency mean?" asked Bismarck.

"I mean that we can flood Holland eight feet deep," replied the ambassador.

HADN'T SEEN THEM

A correspondent from Cheshire, England, says: "I came upon a small boy not long ago who was moodily fishing with an improvised rod and hook in the muddy waters of the canal. I cannot but believe that he will make a great fisherman some day, for he seemed to have the dogged perseverance necessary for the craft. But he paid no attention to me at all. He mournfully pursued the latter to hand. 'What are you doing?' I asked him at last. 'Fishing for sugar,' he said. 'I don't know,' he replied, 'I've never caught any yet!'"

GOT WHAT HE WANTED

Two venerable theologians in an upstate town were very friendly, despite their differences in belief. One, who was about 70, was an Episcopalian while the other, who was slightly younger, was a Presbyterian. The predecessor of the Episcopalian in that town had always liked to be addressed as "Father Sam." Having got used to this title in conversation with the predecessor the Presbyterian with later used it several times in speaking to the new pastor, who did not want to be addressed that way. Several times the Presbyterian said in his direct conversation, but

make it hard for us to believe that we live in a civilized land. Please is one of the things.

REFORESTING WASTES

Few people realize that practically one fifth of the territory of Massachusetts is waste and unproductive land, giving no return in crops to its owners and little or no taxation to the state. The Massachusetts forestry association is aiming to transform this waste area into forest lands under state auspices, aided by state funds. The association is seeking to interest the different communities in the possibilities awaiting development, urging that the waste sections adjoining the various cities and towns could be made productive of excellent returns with a comparatively small investment. It is argued that the systematic cultivation of forests as a commercial proposition would relieve the burden of taxation and keep the price of lumber low, thus reacting to the advantage of the man who strives to build a home of his own. As compared with other countries, Denmark and Germany in particular, it must be admitted that this country has not made the most of its forestry and industrial opportunities. The large unproductive stretches in this state are a reproach that should be blotted out.

ACTION NEEDED

If the administration has erred in its Mexican policy, it has not been on the side of too great activity, for in a laudable desire for peace there is a tendency to let argument take the place of action. A few days ago when an American force was despatched to the Arizona border to prevent further outrages against American life and property, public opinion commended the move. Now, however, there is a danger that it may result in nothing more positive than the temporary stay of our troops at Vera Cruz. When the American troops got to the border, there was no apparent change in conditions, and the threat to shoot back was not carried out. Now our administration is parleying with the Mexican officials, refraining from the punishment that was threatened. There are times when prompt action is absolutely necessary, and this seems to be one of them.

NEUTRALITY SPIRIT FORGOTTEN

It seems that a good many people in this country, chiefly college professors and clergymen, have forgotten all about President Wilson's appeal for the observance of neutrality. The controversies over the war, its causes and its probable effects, are being carried on daily by public speakers and public writers. If this country is to keep neutral these polemical orators should be less prominent and less one-sided in their addresses. The German professors are much more outspoken on the causes of the war which, of course, in their opinion, rest anywhere else than with their own country or its peace loving emperor. The war should not be carried into this country in any form.

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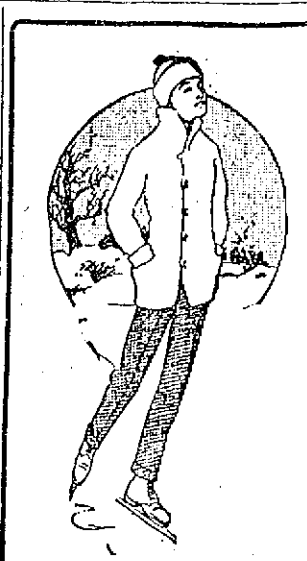
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STORMY SESSION

Of the Federal House
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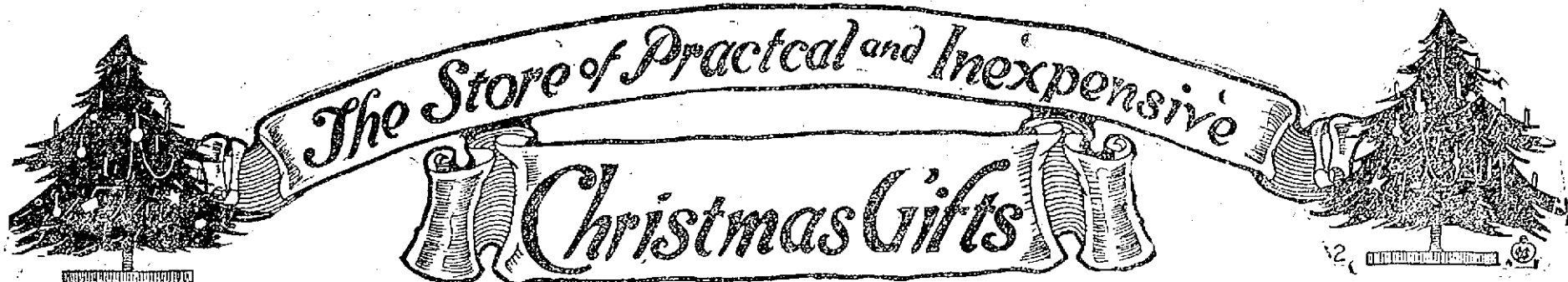
MELBOURNE, Dec. 18.—During a stormy all-night session of the federal house of representatives the speaker elected Joseph Hume Cook, leader of the liberal party and a former cabinet minister, for gross insults to the chair.

In reply, Cook, amid liberal cheering, said the party declined to sit under a tyrannical speaker and the opposition thereupon left the house in a body.

Following their departure a motion was carried to suspend Cook until he apologized for his actions in the house. The clash grew out of a debate on the commonwealth bank bill.

SUGAR CONSUMPTION.
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 18.—Nearly a quarter billion pounds of domestic refined sugar have been exported from continental United States during the three months ended October 31, 1914, or more than 100 million in excess of the entire exports in 1910, the high-record year of the last quarter century. Sugar exports in August amounted to 28,565,305 pounds; in September, 52,290,773; and in October, 138,572,686, a total for the three months of 229,428,764 pounds, against 44 million in the fiscal year 1913, 125 million in 1910, and 19 million in 1903. During the fiscal years 1913 and 1914 practically all the exports of sugar were refined from imported raw sugar and received a drawback equal to the duties paid on the raw sugar, less one per cent.

The unusually large exports of sugar in recent months have led interest to a compilation regarding sugar consumption in the United States made by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce and published in the "Statistical Record of the Progress of the United States, 1890-1914," recently issued. In 25 years the sugar consumption of the country has almost trebled and has increased from 60.11 pounds per capita in 1889 to 86.85 pounds in 1914. In that period Cuba has increased its contributions to the domestic market from 1,002 million to 1,927 million pounds; and the noncontiguous territories of Hawaii, the Philippines, and Porto Rico have increased their shipments of sugar in 1889 to 23.14 million, in 1914, from 511 million to 1,373 million pounds; while Europe, the Dutch East Indies, and other foreign countries have decreased their sales to this



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country from 1219 million pounds of sugar in 1889 to 23.14 million in 1914. Meanwhile the domestic product has grown from 345 million to 1,841 million pounds and the exports of sugar from 29 million pounds in 1889 to 97 million pounds in the year ended June 30, 1914, with a further growth to 230 million pounds in the three months ended this October.

118 "DUSTY" RHODES

Hoboes Are All Sentenced at Somerville Jail For 16 Days After Pleading Guilty

SOMERVILLE, Dec. 18.—Yesterday was hobo day in the Somerville district court. There 118 "Dusty Rhodes" were arraigned before Judge Wentworth on the charge of trespassing on property of the B. & M. road. Each of the "Knights of the Road" were fined \$10 after pleading guilty, and in default of that sum were remanded to the East Cambridge jail to work out the fine by serving 16 days each.

There is an interesting story connected with the arrest of the "Dusty Rhodes." During the quiet morning hours and while the temperature was dancing about the zero mark, Special Officers Wallis and Newcomb of the B. & M. road wandered through the bridge yard at East Somerville, among

the neatly heated coaches and Pullman cars that were standing ready for service at daybreak.

As Wallis neared one particular train of Pullmans he heard peculiar sounds.

"What's that?" he asked Newcomb, to which the latter replied: "I dunno, but it sounds as if someone's sleeping around here."

"Someone," responded Wallis. "Not one, but an army."

Straightaway they entered the Pullman, and there found in peaceful slumber two score "Knights of the Road" as happy as if in a downy bed at the exclusive St. Regis hotel.

The officers didn't disturb the slumbers. They continued their investigation, and visiting several ordinary passenger coaches discovered fully 100 more hoboes whose snores sounded like a German battery in operation.

Requiring the assistance of a number of brakemen and switch hands, Wallis and Newcomb secured an empty freight car, and, attaching it to an engine, returned to the bridge yard. The hoboes were then aroused and like a herd of cattle were driven into the box car. When all were safely locked within, the box car was dragged to the Union square station of the B. & M. and the hoboes were marched inside. After looking over the prisoners the officers gave orders to "fall in," and in lines of fours they were marched through the streets to the Somerville police headquarters.

To Lieut. Ray fell the duty of booking the prisoners, and it took him five hours to do the job. The defendants' ages ranged from 16 to 75 years; they represented a dozen nationalities, and when searched there wasn't 75 cents in change among the whole bunch.

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RULERS OF EUROPE

Great Uplift in the Conduct of Kings Whose Powers and Duties Have Decreased in Importance

Generally speaking the kings of present day Europe are respectable, serious-minded young men with reasonable proclivities toward hard work. Most of them are of mediocre ability, and few, if any, unless it be Kaiser Wilhelm, has shown unusual ability or capacity, which, had he been born in lowly station, would have raised him to eminence.

Of the kings now to the fore, Franz Josef is the only aged one. He is in his 80's and so well-nigh worn out in body and mind that he does not count for a great deal in controlling the course of events within his kingdom. Respected and fairly well liked, he is home, along on the tide of ministerial sentiment.

The Kaiser, now in his middle 60's, has vision, power and learning, and regardless of any start he might have had in life probably would have become a man to be reckoned with seriously. The younger kings are Nicholas of Russia, George of England, Victor Emmanuel of Italy, Albert of Belgium, Gustav of Sweden, Haakon of Norway, Constantine of Greece and Alfonso of Spain. They are a very fair set of men as men go, and certainly a great improvement on the old order of monarchs.

The business of kinging has been improved, not only more scientific

marrying, more of royal eugenics, but also by being made less important. Nicholas of Russia and Wilhelm of Germany exercise more direct power than any of their fellow rulers, most of whom, as the heads of dynasties

are so restricted as to be monarchs in title only. They have their functions, of course, more or less useful and always highly ornamental, which they seem to be trying, in good faith, to perform to the honor and benefit of

their subjects. Dynasties admittedly tend to give unity to national policy and cement the racial elements which, throughout history, it has been the effort of rulers to weld into national units; but as

peoples become better educated the uses of kings become fewer. Ultimately the dynasties will be scrapped, and the great peoples will undertake to govern themselves.—Los Angeles Express.

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TERRIFIC FIGHTING WEST OF WARSAW

WARSAW, Russian Poland, Dec. 18.—Fighting is especially severe at points leading to a great battle in progress at present. The German wedge, which is pushing steadily in a southerly direction from the west, has maintained a fierce fighting in which serious losses are reported to have been inflicted on the Russian forces. The German column was met at the point of the Russian line, which, according to some reports, included as many as five whole army corps are being conducted along a line to the north of Lodz.

The new first aid corps consisting of soldiers who have become insane during battle, has been organized. The necessity for this form of treatment is growing as a result of the intensity of the nervous strain under which the soldiers are fighting.

An instance in point is the case of a second lieutenant who escaped unhurt from a battle in which there were only 13 survivors out of 200 men. He is a mental wreck. There are many similar cases.

Each day air raids are being made by German aeroplanes over the town. The Russian forces are being poured in from the west by the railway and by the railroad from Warsaw. The German forces are moving from the west of Lodz.

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RESCUE OVER 100 MINERS

Annual Report of U. S. Bureau of Mines—24,975 Miners Trained by Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The saving of human life in the mines, the stopping of millions of dollars of waste of mineral resources of the country, and an inventory of the wastes that are continuing are given in the annual report of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, made public this week.

According to Dr. Holmes, the bureau has recorded its most notable achievement in the rescue of more than one hundred entrapped miners at different disasters, and the rescue of many more miners by volunteers who had the bureau. The bureau's influence has further resulted in the establishment of rescue and first-aid stations at hundreds of mines throughout the country, and the director makes the statement that the trained rescuers connected with these stations will in the future save the lives of many men.

The total number of miners trained by the bureau has now reached 24,975.

Despite the efforts of the bureau of mines, Director Holmes declares that the loss of life is far greater than it should be with the actual hazards of the industry, and makes a plea for more extensive investigations on the part of the government. "The human motive for undertaking such investigations is obvious," says the director. "A sufficient economic reason is that during the past year more than 2,500 men were killed and more than 100,000 injured in the mining and metalurgical industries of the country, two-thirds of these fatalities and three-fourths of the injuries may be regarded as easily preventable. The money loss from the accidents may be estimated at not less than \$12,000,000 a year, and this loss must be ultimately paid by the consumers of mineral products throughout the country."

The necessity for a more extensive use of safety appliances in the mines is shown by the statement that in the last five years, through lack of such appliances, more than 2,500 men have been killed in the mines and nearly 100,000 seriously injured.

The director comments upon the fact that in Kansas, Oklahoma, Indiana and Iowa many of the men employed in the mines to set off the explosives have lost their lives, and recommends that the state should be first, electrically from outside the mine. "In many districts," says the director, "the methods of shooting employed are still so extremely dangerous that only the most reckless men are willing to act as shot firers."

As showing the interest outside the bureau of mines in the fighting campaign in the mines, Dr. Holmes declares that the states are already expending in their work more than the federal government in all its investigations in behalf of mine safety. He gives as an illustration Pennsylvania, with a yearly expenditure of \$212,000. He also cites that twelve individual mining companies have rescue cars, which is far more than are operated by the bureau of mines.

In discussing the causes of mine disasters, Director Holmes says, "Not only have men been killed or injured from what are believed to be unnecessary electrical accidents in mining, but indirectly electrical apparatus has been responsible for mine explosions and



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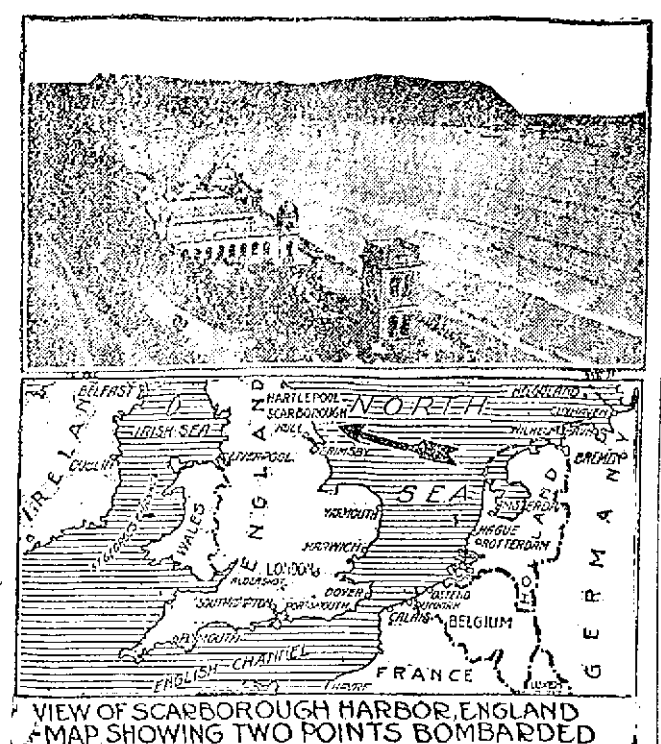
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SCARBOROUGH, ENGLAND, SHELLED BY GERMANS, AND MAP OF GREAT ATTACK



The shelling of English cities on the North sea coast by German cruisers came as a bolt out of the sky to England. British warships at once, pursued the daring German bombardiers and a great naval battle ensued. The feat of crossing the North sea to the English coast and destroying many buildings in the cities of Scarborough, Whitby and Hartlepool, all of which are about opposite the Kiel canal, is easily the most remarkable piece of recent naval news of the war.

thrown into the air and stops the further propagation of the explosion. It is felt that such devices would localize an explosion to the portion of the mine in which it started, and thus save the men working in other parts of the mine.

In the accomplishments of the year, Dr. Holmes calls attention to the statement of his engineers that, with an expenditure of \$15,000, they have brought about a saving of natural gas worth \$15,000,000, a sum many times greater than the total cost of all the work done by the bureau during the four years of its existence. This was done by introducing better methods in the drilling for petroleum and gas. This waste of gas stopped totaled \$5,000,000 cubic feet per day, equivalent in heating value to 17,500 tons of coal per day. "In preventing the escape of this enormous quantity of gas," says Director Holmes, "another saving was made, the value of which cannot be estimated. The elimination of danger to human life from the escape of this gas into the atmosphere." Dr. Holmes estimates the loss to the country each year in the development of the oil fields to be not less than \$50,000,000, and that a large part of this loss is preventable. "The fact that the principal oil producing areas of the country are now believed to be well defined," says Dr. Holmes, "and the fact that the next few years will see a constantly diminishing instead of an increasing production, make it imperative the need of extended inquiries."

Director Holmes also calls attention to the discovery of a process by the chemists of the bureau whereby radium, which is much sought for its supposed curative qualities, can be

produced at one-third of its present cost. With radium now selling at \$120,000 a gram, its reduction in price to \$40,000 will, it is said, result in many hospitals throughout the country being able to purchase a supply. The process devised by the bureau's chemists has already been tested with success in the plant of the National Institute, which is under the supervision of the technical staff of the bureau of mines.

The bureau also claims that through its scientific method of purchasing coal by measuring the heat units the federal government has saved during the year \$200,000 and that the various cities of the country that have taken up this plan of buying coal have reported a saving last year of thousands of dollars.

Director Holmes places the present waste of mineral resources of the country at the sum of one million dollars a day and declares that in a large measure this waste is unnecessary. "In one respect at least," says the director, "the consideration of mineral waste has a basis quite different from the consideration of agricultural wastes. Our crops represent an annual production from a reasonably permanent soil; our forests may grow again, though a much longer period of time is required; and the soils themselves may be considered from the subsoil and the rock beneath. But of our mineral resources we have only the one supply. This supply is to a considerable extent destroyed by use, and at the present increasing rate at which we are using and wasting it our one supply of a number of these resources will be either exhausted or largely depleted while the nation is yet in its youth."

Referring to coal, Dr. Holmes says:

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Referring to still other wastes, Dr. Holmes says: A preliminary inquiry as to the cooking of coal in beehive ovens has shown that the total value of the by-products annually lost in this country through the use of such ovens amounts to \$75,000,000. Although the desirability of developing by-product industries in this country has been recognized, such development has now become an actual need.

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SANTA MAN FINED \$20 REP. GARDNER TESTIFIES CARMEN'S UNION

He Wielded His Stick on Crowd of Children, Seriously Injuring One — Boy Sentenced

Distinctive indeed is the Lowell police court. Never before in the police court of any city, we dare to say, was such a case tried as was decided right here in our own little village this morning. Santa Claus was tried, convicted and fined before Judge Enright in today's session.

Yesterday afternoon Santa Claus, alias Alpha Proteau, strolled along Bridge street, sticking his white beard and distributing plums along the way. It was not long before a crowd of youngsters along the thoroughfare spotted Santa and at once there was something doing.

Whether they suspected that he was an impostor or whether they thought that he carried no gifts for them, the boys and girls congregated behind the fabled sponsor of the Yuletide, began to hoot and deride the pseudo Santa, and finally to throw stones in his direction, some of which found their target. It was a very poor reception to hand out to Santa Claus, thought Proteau.

Being without reindeer or other form of speed locomotion, the man who played the part of Santa was forced to stand the gauntlet, as it were. He carried in his hand, however, a stout stick to the end of which was attached a couple of spikes. The stick played the leading part in the assault for which he was "fined."

As the group of children grew more vicious and bold the temper of the white-whiskered, red-coated individual was aroused and finally he turned around and swung his spiked stick with frightful force. The stick struck 11-year-old Willie Wood in the nose and the child's face was terribly lacerated. The charge against Proteau was assault and battery and he readily acknowledged his guilt. He told the court that the children were making fun of him and throwing stones at him and that this was the reason he assaulted the boy.

Judge Enright found the man guilty and ordered him to pay a fine of \$20. Yesterday's Santa Claus, however, was far from a holiday expression as he reached into his pocket.

The McNulty boy's case came up for sentence this morning. Young McNulty was the last of the gang of young thieves who recently looted a Boston and Maine freight car to be disposed of.

The boy's mother attempted to get her boy another chance but her previous record barred the way. He is on probation from the industrial school at present for another misdeed.

With quivering lips and tear-filled eyes the mother endeavored to secure her child's freedom. Judge Enright, in spite of his sentimental associations with crime and its sad consequences upon innocent people, was visibly affected by the mother's grief.

"Madam," said the court, "your boy is bad. He has been given opportunity before and has not made use of them. He is a menace to the boys in his vicinity and to any other mother told me in the juvenile session that it had not been for your boy that her young son would never have gone astray. I would like to do this for you, but in fairness to the community I can't do it."

McNulty was sentenced to the reformatory while his mother wept on a nearby bench. After a short conversation between mother and son an appeal was asked for. McNulty's case will be taken up next month in superior court.

Principal Witness Before the House Naval Committee Hearing Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Representative Gardner of Massachusetts was the principal witness today before the house naval committee hearing.

He read a long statement in favor of his proposal for an investigation into preparation for national defense.

"I am here to ask you to appropriate for the full number of new ships recommended by the general naval board for this year's construction," he said.

"I am sorry to say that Secretary Daniels in his recommendations to congress has cut the naval building program for this year almost exactly in two."

"If you gentlemen had permitted me to present as witnesses a few recently reduced officers in a single day the country would have learned of our demerited policy of building warships for cold storage. Out of 30 completed battleships do you know that twelve of them are unavailable? Unavailable without a long delay on account of our refusal to pay the bills for manning them!"

Rev. Mr. Cornell. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

OBITUARY.—The funeral of Mrs. Alice O'Brien took place this morning at 10 o'clock from her home, 185 Lawrence street and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was sung at 9 o'clock by Rev. James W. McDevitt, O. M. I.

The bearers were Thomas Kieran, William Nelson, Charles O'Neil and Patrick Brennan. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. McDevitt. Among the floral offerings were: Large pillar inserted "Wife and Mother," from husband and daughter, and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. William Cowbridge and Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker James H. McDermott.

MERRIMACK.—The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Meehan took place this morning from the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hugh Riley, 183 Chestnut street, and was largely attended.

A funeral high mass was sung in St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Patrick Craton. The burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Patrick Craton, read the burial service. The bearers were Charles Shanley, John P. Dorsey, James O'Rourke and James E. McGann.

The floral tributes placed upon the grave were a large pillow inscribed "Daughter," from her parents, and pieces from Mrs. Riley and family, Miss Nellie Meehan, Mrs. P. A. Meehan of Marlboro, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. John Dorsey, Mrs. Mary Dorsey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Riley, Mrs. P. McGann, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shanley. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Maurice Baines, member of the chamber of deputies, will introduce a bill on Tuesday for the creation of a national holiday to be called Jeanne d'Arc day.

Jeanne d'Arc, he says, "represents for France an incomparable image of force and radiant loyalty, a figure of victory, the saint of France."

The Annual Election of Officers Will be Held on Tuesday

Next Tuesday evening at the Street Railway Men's union, local 250 will hold an election of officers, and the contests for the various offices promise to prove most exciting. The election will take place in the union quarters in the Buel's building and the polls will be open early in the morning until late in the evening.

President Fred Crowley is unopposed for reelection, as is Frank Johnson who holds down the position of night warden. President Crowley has proved himself very efficient during his term in office and is well liked by the members.

There is a three cornered fight for the vice presidency. Messrs. George M. Clark, John Griffin and John Alford are competing for this office, and according to reports Mr. Clark has the pole.

Messrs. Peter Kearney, Thomas Sullivan and Frank Wright are contenders for the office of secretary-treasurer and this fight is sure to be close. All three men have their followings and the result will remain in doubt until after the ballot is counted.

Messrs. John J. Kelley and John P. Lynch oppose each other for the position of recording secretary and a lot of interest is centered in the fight between the two. Mr. Kelley is the present incumbent and has filled the duties of the office during the past year in a capable manner.

Mr. Lynch is very popular among the members of the union and it is said that this fact may put him in office. Outside of the qualifications necessary to fill the executive duties of the office most excellently.

There are 13,—unlucky for some body,—candidates for the executive board and each and every one is making an effort to land one of the coveted places. They are as follows: Edward Donnelly, Patrick F. Callan, Michael Donlin, Michael Hanney, Daniel Gleason, Daniel Hayes, Anders Holmsted, James Marchbanks, Thomas Holmsted, Thomas J. Powers, Frank Tenbury, Patrick Bell and Michael W. Regan. Messrs. Regan, Ed. Powers and Donnelly come up for reelection.

Messrs. Alfred Hudson, Chris Mooney, Thomas H. Mulvaney, Daniel Peineau and Arthur Lane, have put their names on the ballot as candidates for the board of trustees.

President Crowley is also unopposed as a delegate to the joint conference board, and C. Riley will hold down the job warden's position for another year as he is the only one mentioned for the position. Patrick Lowe will take care of the janitorial duties for the ensuing term as he is also unopposed.

Messrs. Joseph Wood, John Lyons and Martin E. Halloran comprise the election board.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION

The Forty Hours' devotion opened at St. Joseph's church this morning with an impressive ceremony. At 9 o'clock a solemn high mass was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Fr. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Augustin Gratton, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O. M. I., as sub-deacon.

The main altar was elaborately decorated with potted plants and incense-burners and presented a cheerful appearance. The choir under the direction of Telephone Mado rendered the mass of the Blessed Virgin with Mrs. Joseph A. Bernard presiding at the organ. The devotion will continue a close Sunday morning at the parish mass at 10:30 o'clock.

CANAL EARNS \$1,000,000

On Nov. 18 Receipts in Tolls Had Passed This Mark, Showing a Progressing Use of Ditch

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The tolls on vessels making use of the Panama canal reached and passed the \$1,000,000 mark Nov. 18, representing dues collected from 257 vessels, of which 30 were in ballast on non-cargo boats. The receipts, which began with \$11,610 prior to Aug. 15, when the canal was used by barges only, reached \$387,242 for the month of October, showing a substantial and progressive increase.

The largest part of the traffic was made up of coast-bound trade between the east and west coasts of America, which made up more than 600,000 tons of the total tonnage of 1,287,451.

POLISH-AMERICAN CITIZENS

The Polish-American Citizens club held a meeting last night in their new club house at the corner of Colburn street and Lakewood avenue and elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Jacob Targ, president; Hippolyte Pater, vice-president; Louis Palak, financial secretary; Frank Kus, recording secretary; Simon Pelczar, treasurer.

A smoke talk and social hour followed the election and officers and a carefully arranged musical program was carried out. There are at present 48 citizens enrolled in membership in the club out of a total registration of 200 in the club.

It is at present hard at work bringing in new members, and confidently believes that before six months the society will have a large membership.



Holiday Neckwear

DID YOU EVER SEE A MAN WHO HAD TOO MANY NECKTIES?

If you don't know just what to give him, come into this store and you'll surely find just what will please him.

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72 MERRIMACK STREET

LIVELY RUNAWAY HORSE STILL AT LARGE

STIRRED THINGS UP ON CENTRAL STREET THIS MORNING UNTIL STOPPED BY OFFICER

Four Men Who Escaped From Concord, N. H. Not Yet Captured

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—The county authorities have been busy today in a search for the four men who escaped from the jail here yesterday, but up to noon today none of the prisoners had been recaptured nor had any reliable clue to their whereabouts been secured.

LIVELY BRUSH FIRE

A brush fire on the road leading from Chelmsford street to the Cook well, occurred on an alarm from box 417 this afternoon a few minutes before two o'clock. Although the blaze was a stubborn one the firemen extinguished the flames before any damage had been done to the surrounding property.

NO CASH, BOY "TOOK" TO GIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—William Blake, 12, of 808 West Forty-fifth street, was arraigned in children's court yesterday, charged with stealing a big Teddy bear from a premium store in West Forty-second street.

William told Justice Hoyt that he was out looking for Christmas presents and wanted to give the Teddy bear to his three-year-old cousin. He had not enough money to buy it, so "just took it." His case will be investigated.

NOMINATED POSTMASTER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson today nominated Michael J. Howard to be postmaster of Norwalk, Conn.

Christmas Glasses

We have the largest and best line of Christmas Glasses in the city.

P. S.—Eyes Examined by Registered Optometrists.

Glasses right. Prices right.

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39 Merrimack St., Opp. Chaffoux's. New Location.

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The most satisfactory fuel for cold weather is

Good Hard Coal

Fill your bins now and keep warm. Don't wait for heavy snow storms. Do it now.

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DEATHS

SMITH.—Henry W. Smith died yesterday at his home in Chelmsford center, aged 36 years and 11 months. He leaves behind his wife, Catherine, two sons, Joseph and John, his father, John T. Smith, two sisters, Mrs. Helen Lamphere of Chelmsford center and Mrs. Kittie Skelton of Providence, R. I. Also two brothers, Walter and Charles of Providence. He was a member of Admiral Farragut camp, 18, Sons of Veterans.

THOMPSON.—James R. Thompson died last night at his home, 170 Andover street, aged 84 years. Deceased was at one time 1st lieutenant in Co. G, 16th regiment, Mass. volunteer infantry. He leaves two nieces. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers Simmons & Brown.

BRETT.—Lowell friends of Paul Brett will be grieved to learn of his death at Allston. He was 35 years old. Mr. Brett was a Lowell man who had lived in the city all his life up to within eight years, when he moved to Worcester. On Sunday last he went to Allston to visit his sister, and on Sunday evening he was taken ill. He died Monday morning, despite every effort on the part of physicians to save his life.

RHODES.—Mrs. Elizabeth Rhodes, widow of the late Captain A. Rhodes, died this morning at the home of her daughter, 16 Greendale avenue, at the age of 71 years and 6 months. She is survived by her husband, Joseph D. Rhodes, one sister, Mrs. E. Anderson of William A. Rhodes of Boston, and William A. Rhodes of this city, also two grandchildren, Norman A. and E. Douglas Rhodes. Deceased was a charter member of the Princess lodge, Daughters of St. George. Funeral notice later.

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OH GRAMPY! JUST LISTEN TO THIS AD—

IN JES A MINUT, HAZEL, JES HALF A SECOND.

SORRY I KEEP YOU WAITIN', HAZEL, BUT THAY'S A FEW LITTLE THINGS I GOT TO DO—

JES SOON SI RUN UP TO THE RITE WITH THIS HERE DOOR

NOW, HAZEL, WHAT WUZ IT YOU WANTED TO READ ME?

WHY JUST LISTEN, GRAMPY, TO THIS AD! A COMPLETE GYMNASIUM OUTFIT JUST WHAT YOU NEED. EVERY THING FROM DUMBELLS TO CLIMBING LADDER FOR ONLY \$165. JUST THINK OF IT!

BY CLARE VICTOR DWIGGINS

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BRICKLEY MAKES RECORD

Harvard Star Has Scored 289 Points for Harvard—Other Interesting Sporting News

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Charles Brickley, captain of the Harvard football team of 1914, will leave some record behind him when he is graduated next spring. Brickley since he entered Harvard as a freshman in 1911 has piled up 282 points for the Crimson, 65 of which were made on the freshman eleven and the balance as a varsity player. During the three years that Brickley played on the varsity eleven Harvard teams scored 531 points, of which he made 222. In view of the fact that he figured in but two of the nine games of the 1914 schedule, his record is all the more remarkable. It had not been for his attack of appendicitis and the following operation early in October it is quite likely that Brickley would have scored more than 50 per cent of the points made by the Crimson teams of 1912-13-14. As it is, his record, which follows, will afford a high mark at which future football stars can aim.

Year	Touchdowns	Goals	Field Goals	Total Points
1911	6	8	10	65
1912	10	0	13	70
1913	8	0	11	51
1914	6	0	11	42
Totals	30	8	35	289

—Touchdown counted 5 points in 1911.

Baseball to Curb War
Baseball as a paragon for militarism ridden Europe is put forth by a Harvard alumnus, who has spent some years abroad. In a letter to the Harvard alumni weekly, written:

"My idea of the best cure for this war condition would be 'more baseball.' I believe that if they had had a regular baseball league in Europe with Berlin, Paris, London, Vienna, Antwerp, etc., participating, as well as a minor league taking in Belgrade, Brussels and a few other such places, the fans would never have tolerated the breaking out of this war during the baseball season, and if they had postponed it until the world's series was over it would have given them all time to cool off, and they probably would not have had any war. They say that baseball has done more to civilize the Philippines than the American army consulars and missionaries put together."

To Erect Large Stadiums
The stadium fever continues to spread throughout the land. Philadelphia and Chicago civic associations are now discussing the feasibility of erecting immense structures capable of seating 100,000 spectators. It is the idea of these fastening the plants that stadiums of this size can be used for many purposes such as big football

A MENACE TO HEALTH

POLLUTION OF THE GREAT LAKES AND TRIBUTARY RIVERS CAUSES TYPHOID FEVER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Pollution of the great lakes and tributary rivers is becoming a serious menace to health, according to the annual report today of Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the public health service. He points out that about 16 million passengers are carried each year over the great lakes and that more than 1000 vessels use these waters.

"It becomes apparent, therefore," Dr. Blue declares, "that these inland vessels play an important role in the maintenance of the high typhoid fever rate in the United States."

It is recommended that water taken from the great lakes be purified before used for drinking purposes.

Dr. Blue details the work of the medical officers under him for the year in radiating plague, investigating tuberculosis and making special inquiries into epidemics of typhoid fever and other diseases.

Public health officers who examined

SLEEPYTIME TALES

BY VIRGINIA VALE

FOR THE LITTLE READERS OF THE SUN

THE WINDOW PICTURE

Once upon a time Robert's mother asked him to stay in the house after he came home from school and amuse his little sister Nancy as she wished to go down town on an errand. Nancy was always glad to play with her brother for as she said: "He knew such nice things to play."

Their mother had not been gone long before Robert said: "I will draw you a pretty picture of anything you want."

Nancy thought a cow would be fine and so her brother drew what Nancy thought a beautiful cow. At last Robert said: "Sister shut your eyes and I will draw you a surprise." Nancy shut her big blue eyes as tight as ever she could and in a few minutes Robert shouted: "Now you can look. What do you see?"

Nancy looked all around the room but she couldn't see either her brother or the picture that he had promised and so she called his name as loud as she could. All at once she heard a noise as though some one was laughing outside and she turned toward the window to see if her brother was hiding.

She didn't see Robert but someone was looking in at the window. She could just see his hair and eyes above the window-sill. Nancy didn't want to go to the window to see who it was and she called again to Robert: "Come, come, someone is looking in at the window."

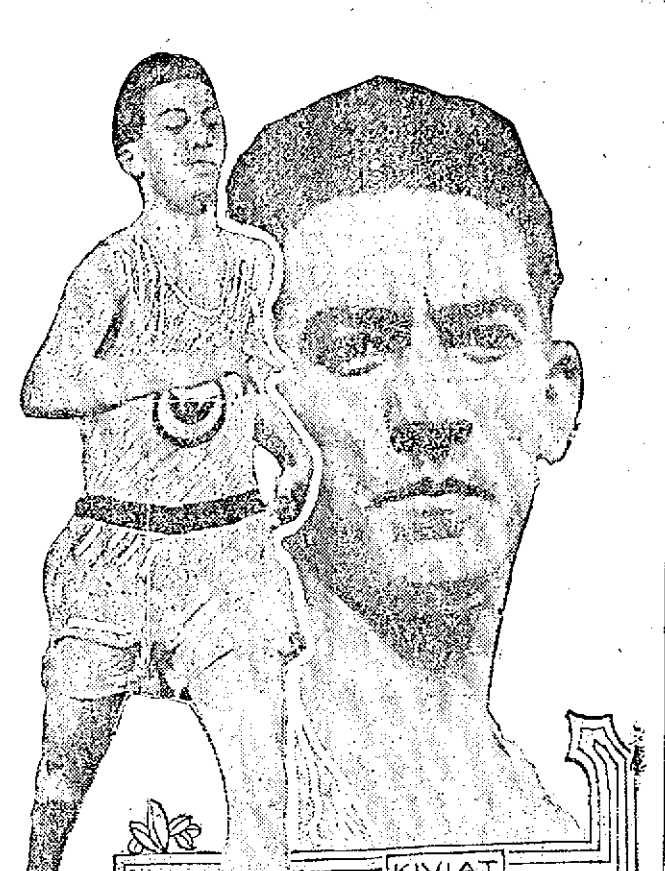
Just then her brother came in the front door. "Goosie, don't you know that is the surprise I promised you. It is only a picture of a boy," he said.

Nancy went to the window and sure enough there was a fine picture just like someone looking in from the outside. Nancy wanted him not to rub it off but to keep it until their mother came home so she could see the surprise.

Nancy could hardly wait until her mother came and before she had taken off her things the children led her to see the picture. She thought it was fine and told Robert that she thought he had taken very good care of his little sister and would not scold him even if he had drawn his picture on her very nice and clean window.

Robert is a great painter now but he has never forgotten his window picture.

A. R. KIVAT EXPECTS TO BREAK THE WORLD'S INDOOR MILE TRACK RECORD



According to the old system. Under the new rules of the International Athletic Federation the track must be measured 12 inches from the border instead of 18. This makes the "mile" run by Kivat about 15 feet longer than the "mile" covered by Halpin, and as the difference in time was but a fifth of a second it is certain that Kivat traveled faster than Halpin. As this is the first time the distance has been run on a track measured according to the new rules Kivat's feat goes on the books as a record. He was opposed by Ted Meredith and Homer Baker, and the sprinters expected one of them to win and the other to be the contender. Kivat to the surprise of all, took the lead at the start and held it to the finish. Meredith was not more than four inches behind Kivat, and Baker was a close third.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A. R. Kivat of the Irish-American Athletic club has held the world's indoor record for one mile, having negotiated the distance in 2 minutes, 16.1 seconds. Tom Halpin, previous holder of the record, made the mile in 2 minutes, 15 seconds, but he ran on a track measured

RIFLE SHOOTING

Competition Begun Between Rifle Clubs for Championship of U.S.

A national gallery shooting competition has begun among the rifle clubs of the country for the championship of the United States and a trophy presented by the war department. The following thirty-six rifle clubs representing twenty-one states will strive for shooting honors:

CLASS A

- 1—Warren (Pa.) Rifle club.
- 2—Engineers Rifle & Revolver club, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 3—District of Columbia Rifle association.
- 4—Adrian (Mich.) Rifle club.
- 5—Peters Rifle & Revolver club, Kings Mills, Ohio.
- 6—Stillwater (Minn.) Rifle & Pistol association.
- 7—The Park club, Bridgeport, Conn.
- 8—Bucyrus (Ohio) Rifle association.
- 9—Dickinson (N. D.) Rifle club.
- 10—Manchester (N. H.) Rifle & Pistol club.
- 11—Birmingham (Ala.) Athletic Club Rifle association.
- 12—Boston (Mass.) Rifle & Revolver club.

CLASS B

- 1—Hopkins (Minn.) Rifle club.
- 2—Gisholt Rifle club, Madison, Wis.
- 3—Marion (Ohio) Rifle club.
- 4—First Missouri Infantry Rifle club, St. Louis.
- 5—Tounestown (Ohio) Rifle & Revolver club.
- 6—Swiss Rifle club, Louisville, Ky.
- 7—Milwaukee (Wis.) Rifle and Pistol club.
- 8—Tacoma (Wash.) Rifle club.
- 9—Waterdown (N. Y.) Rifle club.
- 10—Wayland Rifle club, Des Moines, Iowa.
- 11—Hoosier Rifle club, Indianapolis, Ind.
- 12—Bangor (Me.) Rifle association.

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- 1—Buffalo (N. Y.) Rifle club.
- 2—Kane (Pa.) Rifle club.
- 3—Detroit (Mich.) Rifle & Revolver club.
- 4—Tucson (Ariz.) Rifle club.
- 5—Ogden (Utah) Rifle & Revolver club.
- 6—Salt Lake (Utah) Rifle & Revolver club.
- 7—Albion (Ind.) Rifle club.
- 8—Corinthia (Me.) Rifle club.
- 9—Louisville (Ky.) Rifle & Revolver club.
- 10—Watertown (N. Y.) Rifle club.
- 11—New Haven Grays Rifle club (Conn.).
- 12—Payette (Idaho) Rifle club.

Each club will be represented by a team of ten members. 22 calibre rifles will be used, shooting in gallery ranges at 75 feet on a ten ring target having a half-inch bull and rings one-quarter of an inch apart. Three classes similar to the national interstate matches and the members of the winning team in each class will receive medals from the war department.

The matches are held under the auspices of the National Rifle Association of America who appoints representatives in each club to supervise the firing of the local team. Results of the weekly matches are telegraphed to Washington where they are tabulated and given out.

The present holder of the championship trophy is the Warren, Pa. Rifle club. It is expected that all previous records will be broken as min-

LOST AND FOUND

GENE'S OPEN FACED GOLD WALLET watch lost near First st. and Bridge st. Reward if left at 234 Bridge st.

GOLD CHAIN IN BOX LOST Wednesday night, either in vicinity, or in post office. Reward for information to Box A 22, Sun Office.

U. S. TREASURY CHECK NO. 141629 lost, \$100.00. Reward for information or return to Box D, Sun Office.

BROWN LEATHER BILL FOLD containing sum of money and owner's name, lost in Associated Bank, or on Moody, Allen st., or Lilley ave. Friday night. Reward if returned to 221 Hildreth st.

TO LET

LARGE STORE TO LET AT 50 CORNHILL ST. Good lighting, steam, etc. reasonable. Apply 232 Cornhill st.

VERY DESIRABLE 2-ROOM TENEMENT facing street; built on floor; early the furnace; no pipe smoking or dogs. Rent \$10.00. Apply to 100 West 1st st. for two or three lots. See it today. George E. Brown, 75 Chestnut st.

2-ROOM HOUSE TO LET AT 25 Tyler st. modern; in perfect order. Inquire 25 Tyler st.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET: large front room for light housekeeping. Apply 232 Cornhill st.

HOUSE OF 11 LARGE ROOMS TO LET AT 18 East Northrup st. modern conveniences. Inquire 18 Franklin st. Tel. 1800-W.

FURNISHED FRONT ROOM TO LET: steam heat, modern conveniences; private family. Tel. 232-C.

THREE-ROOM TENEMENT FURNISHED for housekeeping to let. Rent \$10.00 per week; 1st st. Apply G. W. Brown, 19 Southrup st.

FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED ROOMS TO LET: heat, running hot and cold water; suitable for light housekeeping; on two car lines. 200 Broad st.

BAKERY TO LET AT 37 BRANCH ST. \$12.00 per month; store 15.00 per month. Inquire 157 Stevens st. Tel. 232-C.

SIX-ROOM COTTAGE WITH BATH TO LET AT 35 Howard st. in good condition; two minutes walk from depot. Inquire 22 St. Vernon st.

COLUMBIA HALL TO LET: DANCING, etc. Inquire Janitor, 1st Middle st.

FIVE-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET: separate toilet on each floor; \$2 per week; at 19 Watson ave. near depot. Apply 193 Clapp, 804 Middlesex st.

NEW MODERN COTTAGE IN DRACHTMAN ST. TO LET: clean bright tenement near Cornhill st. for small family. Dr. Wesley Sawyer.

SPECIALTIES FOR WOMEN

MAHAPOO BOAS, MUFFS AND CAPS repaired and made to look like new; also extra white maha-poo cleaned. Write or call Edward Barnes & Son, 42 Sumner st. Boston.

TRADERS NATIONAL BANK

Large or small deposits banked. With Hallis & Smith, 85 West Street, Providence, R. I.

SITUATIONS WANTED

FIRST CLASS FIREMAN WANTS position in fire department. Write A 63, Sun Office.

WANTED

GOOD BOOKS WANTED—SEEN, paper covers, pamphlets, etc. Morris Bookstore, 217 Middlesex st.

BOYS MILK WANTED. SEND ME your address and I will call at your house. Write D 50, Sun Office.

PROF. EHRICH'S "606" SALVARSAN

administered in the veins at Dr. Temple's Lowell office. NO LOSS OF TIME from business. NO PAIN. Lues, malaria, locomotor ataxia, and various forms of skin disease arising from blood poison.

This solves the problem of the centuries and aids the world of the future. SCIENCE and the human race has known. RESULTS IMMEDIATE. Wasserman blood tests made also treat cancer, tumors, all acute and chronic blood and nervous diseases of men and women, hydrocele, varicocele, stricture, prostatic diseases, piles, hemorrhoids, ulcers and rectal diseases. WITHOUT PAIN OR THE KNIFE. Diseases of the eye, ear, nose, throat, skin, stomach, liver, kidneys, bladder, bowels and rectum, epilepsy, and all nervous diseases.

Terms always made to suit the convenience of anyone applying for treatment. No unreasonable charges. Do not treat elsewhere until you have investigated methods and terms. Lowell office, 21 Central street, Mansur block. Hours: Wednesday, 3 to 4; 4 to 5; 5 to 6; 6 to 7; 7 to 8; 8 to 9; 9 to 10; 10 to 11; 11 to 12. Consultation, Examination, Advice FREE.

Bright, Sears & Co. WYMAN'S EXCHANGE Bankers and Brokers SECOND FLOOR

TO LET

6 rooms, 31 Fourth st. \$15.00
6 rooms, 233 School st. \$15.00
5 rooms, 120 West 1st st. \$12.00
5 rooms, 12 Second st. \$12.00
Keys on premises.

SPECIAL NOTICES

MY TAILOR SHOP RECENTLY damaged by fire, is now reopened. Ladies' and gents' tailoring done at reasonable prices. M. L. Jaskiewicz, 120 West 1st st.

DIAMONDS—FIFTY CENTS A WEEK. Watches, jewelry, men's bags, toilet sets, etc. Sent postal and I will call. H. L. Wheeler, 43 Varnum st.

VOLINIST—IRISH AND AMERICAN dance music for parties. Write B 27, Lowell, Mass.

GOOD TRADE. TWO HOUSE LOTS I have no use for. Will trade for two or three passenger auto. Address for interview, Post Office Box 634, Lowell, Mass.

PRUNING AND MOTHS REMOVED. Orchard trees, apple, pear, plum, etc. 417 Hildreth st. Tel. 311-M.

THE CORAM HOSPITAL, "PRIVATE Hospital" has a few rooms to rent to graduates nurses in good standing. Telephone 4622.

J. BURKS & SON, SLATE ROOFERS. Repairing slate roofs. Tel. 232-B. 166 Concord st. Tel. 1452-J. 200 Pleasant st.

STOVE REPAIRS OF ALL KINDS—We furnish only the original repairs. Twenty years a stove man. Lincoln St. Co., 200 Central st.

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THE SUN IN BOSTON—THE SUN is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

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MEN AND WOMEN WANTED—CAN earn \$2 to \$30 a week writing moving picture plays, experience unnecessary. Part-entire free. Dunne Publishing Co., 83 Rustin st. Worcester, Mass.

CANDY STRIKER WANTED. Apply at Dickson's Tea Store.

TANNING GIRL WANTED AT 113 Dutton st. Apply at once.

HOW TO GET THE POSITION you want. How to get ahead of other applicants. How to land the job. Little book. Send for circular describing little book. Look Box 1557, Boston.

A TALENTED PERSON MAY EARN as high as \$500 a year writing verses for popular songs in spare time. Send samples of your best work to instructional book. Free. Dugdale Company, Studio A, Washington, D. C.

Two of Five Men Under Arrest on Suspicion of Robbery Held for Alleged Theft at Goods

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Rimer Taylor and Thomas Weather, two of the five young men under arrest on suspicion of being implicated in the robbery of Miss Annie Griffin of \$200 last Monday evening, were in the Roxbury court yesterday, charged with stealing goods valued at \$25.70 from the store of Peter Bros., 312 Tremont street. Their case was continued till Dec. 21. There are grounds for believing that on information furnished the police by the men now in custody other arrests will soon be made.

The three other men under arrest, Joseph Weather, John W. Little, alias Johnny Black Boy, and Alphonsus Murphy, The five are held in \$2500 for their appearance Dec. 21. All excepting Weather are said to have admitted completely in the robbery of Miss Griffin.

DECEMBER

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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

- 1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located in a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Fulton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.
- 2 All box numbers commencing with the figure two, as 21, 22, etc., are located in the business area about one-quarter mile radius from the post office, extending from Boston mills to South common and from Fulton street to Concord river.
- 3 All box numbers commencing with the figure three, as 31, 32, etc., are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and to Pawtucket canal at Pawtucket street.
- 4 All box numbers commencing with the figure four, as 41, 42, etc., are located in the Acker City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edison cannery northward to Hale street and from Concord river easterly to Concord river.
- 5 All numbers commencing with five, as 51, 52, etc., are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.
- 6 All numbers commencing with six, as 61, 62, etc., are located in Centralville.
- 7 All numbers commencing with seven, as 71, 72, etc., are located in Pawtucketville.
- 8 All numbers commencing with eight, as 81, 82, etc., are located in Belvidere.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Boston		Boston		Boston		Boston	
Loc.	Arr.	Loc.	Arr.	Loc.	Arr.	Loc.	Arr.
PLEASANT SUNNY ROOMS TO LET. Clean flat, electric light, bath. Ap- plications, both, hot water, and rules, etc. 112, 407 School st. Tel. 2271-R.	6:00	6:15	6:30	6:45	6:55	7:05	7:15
FIVE ROOM FLAT TO LET. It Vaugh st, steam heat, electric light and all modern improvements. In- quire Farrell & Conaton, 213 Dutton st.	6:25	6:40	6:55	7:10	7:25	7:40	7:55
THE OFFICES OCCUPIED FOR many years by the late Mr. J. W. L. Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank building. Inquire at bank.	6:35	6:50	7:05	7:20	7:35	7:50	8:05
EIGHT-ROOM FLAT TO LET WITH modern conveniences, opposite Fort Hill, E-22. Apply 459 High st, upper flat.	6:45	7:00	7:15	7:30	7:45	8:00	8:15
FOR RENT AT 990 MOULDERN ST., house of 9 rooms; gas, if wanted, can be had. Inquire 321 Market st.	6:55	7:10	7:25	7:40	7:55	8:10	8:25
STORE AT 200 WILLOW ST., ST. LOUIS. Good show window. Second floor. Apply to B. L. Whider, Traders Bank, Boston Bank.	7:05	7:20	7:35	7:50	8:05	8:20	8:35

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BANDIT WHO ROBBED TWO BANKS IS DEAD

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—The life of Frank G. Hohl, notorious automobile bandit, ended here yesterday after a daring three hours' career of crime, which included the robbing of two Cincinnati banks, the theft of an automobile and a pistol duel with policemen, that resulted with almost mortal wounds to one officer, and the death of the bandit.

Thirteen thousand and one hundred dollars was missing as the result of the bank robberies, and the police are confident that Hohl, in his wild automobile dashes, managed to pass the money to some confederate.

Hohl's last outburst started shortly after 10 a. m. yesterday, when he entered the West End branch of the Provident Savings Bank and Trust company, fired two shots at Cashier Edward Hughes, seized \$800 in currency, backed out, jumped into a waiting automobile, which had been stolen and disappeared.

While the police were searching for the bandit more than an hour later, he entered the Liberty Building and Savings company bank, to which he fired two shots at Cashier George Whittier, grabbed \$100 in currency, ran to his automobile and again fled.

Almost two hours later Harry Barker, whose mother conducts an apartment house on West 34th Street, informed the police of the resemblance of a man who rented a room there yesterday with a description given of the bandit. When three policemen arrived at the room and knocked, the door was suddenly thrown open and the bandit opened fire. He then rushed past the officers one of whom, Policeman Edward Knott, was probably mortally wounded.

The desperado entered the automobile which was standing at a nearby corner, but in rounding a corner the machine crashed into a telephone pole and was wrecked. The bandit jumped out and opened fire on the two officers who had pursued him.

In the fusillade that followed, Hohl fell with four bullet wounds in the body, and died shortly afterward at the hospital. He was identified by Hughes, later, other means of identification proved to the satisfaction of the police that the dead man was Hohl.

Hohl was well known to the police and was a fugitive from justice. The police claim that he shot up an Algonquin, Pa., bank March 3, was arrested and, while being conveyed to the Pittsburgh jail, threw a steaming cup of coffee in his guard's face and escaped. He was recaptured, but escaped from the Hollidaysburg jail.

The police also claim he was wanted in connection with a diamond robbery in Kansas City, Mo., a year ago, where he had assumed the name of Howe. Mrs. Lulu Hohl, who says she is the widow of Frank G. Hohl, was arrested last night, but the police were unable to find any trace of the money taken by the robber.

POLICE SEARCHING FOR MONEY TAKEN BY THE BANDIT

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 18.—The police today are searching for \$13,100 obtained by Frank G. Hohl, automobile bandit, from the two banks he held up and robbed yesterday before he was shot in a pistol duel with three police officers.

Policeman Knott, the policeman shot by Hohl, was operated on early today and the attending physicians held out very little hope for his recovery.

Hohl's lady still lies unclaimed at the city hospital. His wife, Mrs. Bertha Hohl, who was arrested last night, declared she would not claim the body, she denied knowing anything about the robbery, saying she even was ignorant of the fact that Hohl had been in the city. Mrs. Hohl said her husband left her more than a year ago because she would not take an active part in his career of crime.

Mrs. Hohl said that she was married to Hohl in Harrisburg in March, 1911, a few days after he had been dismissed from the Eastern penitentiary at Philadelphia. Her maiden name was Bertha Holtzman.

Hohl was sent to the reformatory at Hamilton, Pa., when he was 17 years old, she informed the police.

"He got out of the reformatory by forcing the name of a Harrisburg man to release papers, for which he was later arrested and in connection with several robberies was sentenced to the Eastern penitentiary for an indefinite term of from one to five years. He served 18 months and returned to Harrisburg, where we were married. After that we came to Columbus, O., and some months later he brought me here. He left me, saying he was going to Chicago and the next time I heard of him, he had married a girl, Grady, 20 years old, of Salem, O., at Harrisburg in 1913, under the name of Frank Wilson."

John J. Ganley, another police officer charged with violation of Rule Nineteen.

Another policeman, John J. Ganley, is accused of violating rule 19, the blanket rule of the police department, and he will have to face a trial board at his peers Saturday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. The complainants are his superior officers. They charge that the policeman was delinquent in the matter of signing in his boxes at the times specified. They claim that intervals of four hours passed without hearing from him. Mayor Murphy has appointed the following trial board to hear the evidence in the case: Captain Thomas R. Atkinson, Lieut. John B. Freeman and Sgt. Bartholomew Ryan.

AT YESTERDAY'S HEARING SECRETARY MURPHY SAYS IT WAS A LIVELY AFFAIR—LOWELL'S PROTEST LODGED

The hearing held yesterday before the public service commission on the petition of the Boston and Maine and other railroads for permission to increase the rates between certain points on their systems and to eliminate the issuing of certain trip tickets was very largely attended, says Secretary Murphy of the local board today.

The boards of trade of the larger cities within a radius of 50 miles of Boston were represented and all were opposed to the granting of the increases.

The only matter of direct concern to the people of Lowell is the increase in the price of the 50 trip ticket which will cost \$25 instead of \$20.25 after January first, if the increase is allowed. The elimination of the ten, twelve and twenty-five trip tickets will not affect many local people as the sale of these tickets is very small.

The monthly ticket and students' tickets will not be affected by the increase.

A protest from the directors of the Lowell board of trade was registered by Secretary Murphy in reference to the increase of the fifty trip ticket.

JAS. E. O'DONNELL, Counsellor at Law, Room 220 45 Merrimack St.

EGYPT AND SUDAN JOIN BRITISH EMPIRE

Robb Turk of Last Foothold in Africa—Germans Claim Two British Destroyers Sunk—Berlin and Vienna Report Russians Falling Back

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Again the Germans and Austrians seem to be on the crest of a wave of battle as the terminable struggle in the east continues, again Berlin is gay with flags and again Petrograd declines to concede victory to the invaders of Russia. Berlin and Vienna contend, however, that the Russians are falling back along the entire front from the Baltic to the Carpathians with the invading center less than 30 miles from Warsaw.

To the south, Russians only a few weeks ago were pushing over the Carpathians into Hungary, combined Austro-German columns have now forced them back through the passes and, it is asserted, have advanced two-thirds of the way across Galicia and are nearing the fortress of Lemberg, occupied by the Russians early in the Galician campaign.

The Russian official announcements

admit none of this. They dismiss the happenings in Galicia as engagements of no importance and class the operations to the west of Warsaw in the same category. It is claimed, however, that the extreme Russian right near Mlava has thrust the Germans back and that Russian cavalry has swung across the southern border of East Prussia.

In the western arena no event of great importance has been reported. Foot by foot, the allies appear to be forcing the Germans out of their trenches in Flanders and maintaining the pressure elsewhere on the front from the sea to Switzerland.

The British press today naturally makes a feature of the annexation of Egypt and the Sudan, which takes from the Sultan of Turkey 14,000,000 square miles. This action, moreover, robs the Turk of his last foothold in Africa, Italy having taken Tripoli from him a few years ago.

All England is still breathing hard over the German raid on the east coast, interest having been stimulated

amply by the latest accounts coming out of Harborspool.

Many of the naturalized Germans arrested on the east coast after the German raid have been liberated. An Amsterdam despatch to Reuters' Telegram company contains a German official statement claiming that some of the British destroyers which attacked the German raiding squadron off the British coast were sunk. The communication follows:

"The retreating cruisers were attacked by four British destroyers, one of which was sunk. Another disappeared badly damaged."

"At another point, another British destroyer was sunk."

An official statement issued by the British admiralty last night makes no mention of any British warship having been lost. The British statement said that the Light Cruiser Patrol and the British ships that attacked the German raiders were struck by shells and lost five men in killed and 15 wounded.

THE KAISER BETTER TO RETURN TO THE FRONT

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—Kaiser William, who has been detained in Berlin for some time because of illness, will return to the front this week, according to a despatch to the Telegram today.

The emperor, the same despatch says, has just conferred the decoration of the Iron Cross, first class, on Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg.

NISH DESPATCH SAYS THAT THE AUSTRIAN LOSSES ARE VERY HEAVY

PARIS, Dec. 18.—In a Nish despatch a correspondent of the Havas agency says that the Serbian authorities have re-established themselves in the vicinity of Podrin, where the Austrian troops surrendered to them. Prisoners affirm that the Austrian losses in the recent engagements in killed and wounded have been very large and that they exceed the losses in prisoners. Heavy casualties are shown by the unnumbered unburied bodies of Austrian soldiers found on the line of their retreat.

Luzitza, where there has been no fighting recently, was burned by the Austrians.

LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN WAR FEATURES IN BRIEF

Prince von Buelow declares German fleet will soon deliver a blow that may astonish the world. England prepares to repel further raids on her coast. Egypt is declared a British protectorate.

German victory in Central Poland sets the Russians back toward Warsaw.

Russians reported in retreat along entire front except in East Prussia. Allies gain ground to eastward of Ypres in Belgium and at points in Northern France.

German fleet off Falklands refused to surrender and flagship sank with crew ranged on deck cheering. Turkey claims a victory in Province of Van. German newspapers assert a majority of the 20,000 from that city who went to war have been killed.

Total death list from German bombardment of English shore towns, 56.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DANCING CELTIC ASSOCIATES

Friday Eve., Dec. 18

TICKETS 25c



City Bills 1914

December 26, is the last day to present bills for the year 1914.

The Municipal Council will meet December 29, to approve all bills received.

Books of the City of Lowell close December 31, 1914.

CHAS. D. PAIGE, Auditor.

GEORGE H. BROWN, Commissioner of Finance.

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CASH FOR CHRISTMAS
If you are working that is all that's necessary
\$5.00—COST.....75c
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FIRST PAYMENT AFTER CHRISTMAS
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Offices 202 Hildreth Building 45 Merrimack St.
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Receiver's Notice

By a decree of the Superior Court, I have been appointed receiver of the firm of Freeman & Kopelman, clothing dealers, at 151 Central street. All persons having claims against that firm should present the same to me at once. The business will be carried on by me as receiver till further notice. The stock is new and will be sold at greatly reduced prices. This is your opportunity.

JAMES STUART MURPHY, Receiver.
Lowell, December 17, 1914.



O'Sullivan Says:

The good news is out. We have been waiting a long time for it. The New England railroads have been granted the 5% increase in freight rates by the interstate commerce commission.

We have been so anxiously waiting for this, it ought to be a sure harbinger of a better buying spirit by the railroads for their much needed requirements and ought to result in immediate revival in business.

A Shuman & Co.'s \$20 Gray or Blue Ratine Overcoats, at—

\$15
Today and Saturday

Just Received
50 WOMEN'S NEW Winter Coats

The coats are made in full box style, three quarter length with patch pockets—warm, comfortable and dressy. Come in and get one today or Saturday.

Here are three big specials in our furnishing department.
\$1.00 Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, at.....79c
\$1.50 Union Suits, at.....79c
\$1.50 and \$2.00 Shirts, \$1.45

We save you money on your Christmas gifts as well as on your year around goods; look us over before you make your purchases.

A barrel of hand picked BALDWIN APPLES delivered to your home FREE with every purchase of \$5.00 or over.

MERRIMACK CLOTHING CO.
Across From City Hall

THE HOLIDAY SALE

Run by the Immaculate Conception Societies Formally Opened

The holiday sale conducted by the various sodalities and societies of the Immaculate Conception church in aid of the worthy poor of the Immaculate Conception parish opened formally in the Y. M. C. I. rooms in Stackpole street last evening with a fine attendance.

The various tables and booths which surrounded the hall did a thriving business and admiration was expressed on all sides for the splendid display of fancy work and Christmas gift articles.

There was a friendly rivalry between the management of the several tables which added to the success of the evening. Yesterday afternoon a 'whist party' was held in connection with this sale and following the selling activity last evening there was a brief vocal and musical entertainment. This feature will be repeated this evening, and it is anticipated that a much larger crowd will be on hand for the societies directing the event reach into practically every family in the parish. The special feature tomorrow will be a cake sale.

The committees in charge are as follows:

Immaculate Conception sodality—Rev. Lawrence F. High, O. M. I., director; Miss Mary Sullivan, chairman; Miss Rosalie Norney; Miss Annie Powers; Miss Mary Conway; Miss Catherine O'Connell; Miss Julia Sullivan.

Holy Rosary table—Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O. M. I., director; Mrs. Bernard Burns, chairman; Mrs. Alexander Williams, Mrs. Mary Callahan, Mrs. William Sullivan, Mrs. Jeremiah Doyle; Mrs. John M. McCarley; Mrs. Arthur Lawson; Mrs. Felix Quinn.

Third Order of St. Francis—Mrs. Margaret Dallagher, Mrs. Mary Collins, Mrs. Mary Blomberg; Mrs. Susan Murphy; Miss Caroline Boutin.

Children of Mary, senior branch—Rev. James J. McCarthy, director; Miss Katherine McCarthy, chairman; Miss Molly Downey; Miss Minnie O'Connell; Miss Ella McGrath; Miss Lena McQuaid; Miss Gertrude Burns; Miss Anna McQuaid.

Children of Mary, junior branch—Miss Madeline O'Donnell; Miss Helen Haggerty; Miss Sadie Hayes; Miss Mary Quinn; Miss Margaret Hammarley.

DIVISION II, A. O. H. The regular meeting of Div. II, A. O. H. was held last evening with President McInerney in the chair. Seven applications for membership were received and acted upon. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, John F. McInerney; vice president, John J. Kennedy; financial secretary, William Nelson; recording secretary, Daniel J. Healey; treasurer, John H. Healey; doorkeeper, Thomas Nevin; sergeant at arms, J. Hickey; sick committee, John J. Dwyer, John J. Neillon, Martin T. O'Donnell.

Standing committee: James J. McInerney, Patrick J. Eravley, Dennis E. Dwyer, Michael T. McCartin, Daniel J. Wholey. Physician, Jas. J. Cassidy. The division voted to hold the next meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock p. m. The following brothers spoke: McInerney, Kinella, McGeever, Finnerty, Kennedy, Hamlin and Fred McInerney. There were songs by Bros. Linchman, Callahan, McInerney which brought the meeting to a close.

COTTON SEED AND LINTERS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Cotton seed of the crop of 1914 crushed prior to Dec. 1, amounted to 2,401,000 tons, compared with 2,192,376 for 1913, the census bureau announced today. Linters produced to Dec. 1 amounted to 312,587 bales compared with 285,488 for 1913.

Best printing: Tobin's, Aero. bldg.

'Till Christmas only
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Shopping Days

Shop at Gilbride's Xmas store. Good 'eats' for Xmas at John St. Public Market. Tel. 2827. Buy Xmas gifts at Gilbride's. A nice velvet hat or fur cap makes a fine present. Delorme, Sun Bldg. Petticoats. Gilbride's, Sun Bldg. Best Xmas bargains. Gilbride's. Fresh killed Vermont turkeys at Liberty St. Market. Tel. 1782. Fancy umbrellas for Xmas at Sarro Bros., 329 Merrimack st. Dolls' hats. Johnston's, Central Block. Cut prices on staple shoes at Pileau's, 321 Merrimack st. Catholic goods. See Ricard's. Devine's double stitched club bag. Biggest Xmas bargain in town. Only \$5.00. All sizes. Trunks and leather specialties. The Big Trunk Store, 124 Merrimack st. Buy cuff links at Pettier's.

C. F. KEYES, Auctioneer, OFFICE, OLD B. & M. DEPOT, STOREHOUSE AND COMMISSION ROOMS, GREEN STREET, TELEPHONE 1485

TOMORROW AFTERNOON, DEC. 19, AT 3 O'CLOCK
A 2 1-2 STORY HOUSE AND ABOUT 2769 SQUARE FEET OF LAND AT 20 TYLER STREET

I shall offer for absolute sale on the premises regardless of any condition of the weather the above property.

House consists of nine rooms, pantry, bath, has furnace heat and is lighted throughout by gas. On the first floor there is a large parlor, sitting room, dining room, kitchen and a sleeping room; upstairs has four airy, well lighted chambers and bath; front and back stairs. This house is conveniently laid out. There is a very nice room in the basement which could be used as a summer kitchen or laundry. The remainder of the cellar is all cemented.

The lot is located on the northerly side of Tyler street and within two hundred feet of Central street. Now then here is a grand opportunity for some one who would like to locate in this part of the city. The property can be seen anytime by calling on the auctioneer.

Terms of sales: \$500 must be secured to the auctioneer as soon as struck off. Make all inquiries of the auctioneer who has full charge.

C. F. KEYES, Auctioneer.

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A clean, bright, wide, smooth street, where you can turn around and leave your auto, carriage or farm-wagon standing, without interference, while you do your marketing.

We carry a large stock of choice Chicago Dressed, Corn-fed Beef, Squire's Fresh Pork and Sausage, Fatted Veal, Spring Lamb, Native Fresh-killed Chickens and Fowl, Fancy Vermont and Rhode Island turkeys, Ducks and Geese.

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Choice Sirloin Steak, per lb.....25c
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CRAIGHILL'S REPORT
RETURNED TO HIM

Will be Subject of Conference After New Year by Boards of Trade and Waterways Committee

Secretary Murphy of the local board of trade has received the following letter from Col. Craighill relative to the report on the river project:

December 17, 1914.
Lowell Board of Trade,
Lowell, Mass.

Gentlemen:
I have just received back from the chief of engineers my report on the survey of Merrimack river with the following remarks:

"It has been represented to the chief of engineers that parties interested in the improvement of the Merrimack river have substantial additional facts tending to prove the desirability of improving the Merrimack river and in order that you may give consideration to such additional data, your report is returned to you herewith."

Interested parties should be given such time as they desire to submit additional data, provided that the resubmission of the report should be delayed no longer than Nov. 1, 1915. I should be glad if you would arrange with the others interested for a suitable time for the submission of the additional data referred to and fix a

limiting date for the submission of such data. After there has been opportunity to consider the further evidence, it would perhaps be well to arrange for another public hearing at Lawrence. I should be glad to have any suggestions which you care to make regarding the procedure.

Very respectfully,
W. E. Craighill,
Lieut.-Col. Corps of Engineers.

Secretary Murphy upon receipt of the above letter called up Lawrence and Haverhill men interested in the improvement of the waterways committee of all cities and consult with Col. Craighill as to the best method of conducting hearings in regard to securing the evidence both in favor and in opposition to the matter.

The date of the first meeting will be held after the Christmas holidays and no stone will be left unturned to bring the matter to a successful conclusion. Secretary Murphy replied to the communication of Col. Craighill, informing him of the proposed conference.

JUSTICE SHELDON
RUN OVER BY AN AUTO

Sends Resignation to Gov. Walsh to Take Effect on Jan. 4

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Associate Justice Sheldon sent to Governor Walsh today his resignation from the supreme court bench to take effect Jan. 4 next. At that time Justice Sheldon will have completed the ten years of service necessary to make him eligible for retirement on a pension of half his present salary of \$14,000.

Justice Sheldon, who is the second longest serving justice to retire within the past month, was appointed to the superior bench in 1894 and was advanced to the supreme bench in 1913.

LARCENY OF \$59,000

WILLIAM COBB PEACED NOT GUILTY TO CHARGE IN SECRET INDICTMENT

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—William Cobb, former president of the Collateral Loan Co., pleaded not guilty to a secret indictment charging larceny of \$59,000 from the company. The indictment contained 18 counts. Cobb furnished securities for \$25,000. When Cobb was arrested two weeks ago he was charged with the larceny of \$59,000.

CONRAD BERTHOLD HELD

Arrested on Charge of Attempting to Blow up House with Dynamite Bomb

SALFUS, Dec. 18.—Conrad Berthold was arrested today charged with attempting to blow up the house of Ernest Longfellow on Bridge street with a dynamite bomb last Saturday. Mr. Longfellow found a piece of lead pipe in his cellar with a long fuse attached, the end of which went into an empty pumpkin. It was wrapped around a lighted candle. The police claim that a similar piece of lead pipe was found in the cellar of Berthold's home.

HELD IN \$2500 BAIL

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Lawrence James, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Thomas Foley last night, was held in \$2,500 bail by the city court today. The police allege that James, who is a night watchman for a storage warehouse, admitted that he shot Foley while the latter was acting suspiciously on the warehouse company's premises.

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ALLIES MAKE FURTHER
ADVANCE IN BELGIUM

German Fleet Which Raided English Coast Causing Death of 100 Persons is Said, in Berlin, to Have Sunk Two British Submarines and Damaged a Third—Russians Retreating

The German armies which invaded France and Belgium are said by the allies to be yielding slowly but steadily. Today's official French statement like its recent predecessors reports victories here and there over the line. It is stated that the allies have made a further advance in Belgium, although the report that they had captured Westende, near Nieport, on the Belgian coast was not confirmed. Several German trenches have been taken. It is also stated that the allies have made a further advance in Belgium, although the report that they had captured Westende, near Nieport, on the Belgian coast was not confirmed.

The German press makes a feature of the annexation of Egypt and the Sudan, which took from the station of Turkey 14,000,000 subjects and 1,300,000 square miles. This action, moreover, puts the Turk of his last foothold in Africa.

HERIN OFFICIAL REPORT STATES FRENCH HAVE SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—(Via London)—The German war office this afternoon gave out an official communication as follows:

"The fighting in Nieport continues favorable but no decision yet has been reached. The French attacks between La Bassée and Arras and on both sides of the river Somme have resulted in failure with severe losses to the enemy. On the Somme the French lost 1200 men in prisoners and at least 1500 in dead; our own losses were under 200."

"In the Argonne forest our successful attacks resulted in the capture of some 7500 prisoners in addition to war material. There have been no important developments elsewhere on the western front."

On the frontiers of east and west Prussia the situation is unchanged.

Both Berlin and Vienna assert that the German squadrons which attacked the eastern coast of England, causing the loss of about 100 persons, is said in Berlin to have sunk two British destroyers and badly damaged a third. The British admiralty states that two warships were struck by German shells and that five men were killed and 15 wounded but makes no mention of the loss of any vessels.

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INCREASES IN FREIGHT
RATES GRANTED TODAY

The Interstate Commerce Commission Grants Increase of Five per cent on Eastern Roads

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Increases in freight rates, approximately 5 per cent on all the railroads between the Atlantic seaboard and the Mississippi north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers, were granted today by the interstate commerce commission, in a divided opinion, except upon certain heavy commodities which comprise a large bulk of the traffic.

The increases will further apply to the railroads west of Buffalo and Pittsburgh, which were granted partial advances in the decision of last August.

With Commissioners Harlan and Clemen dissenting the majority of the commission declared:

"Whatever the consequences of the

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BOY SHOT IN EYE VICTIM OF BANDIT

Lad in Hospital May Lose Eye as Result of Accident

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 18.—Police Officer Frank K. Knapp, who was shot by a bandit while trying to arrest the latter yesterday after two banks had been robbed, died in the hospital today from wounds received in the duel with Knapp. Knapp was shot four times.

The police were busy today searching for a woman whom they believe was the bandit's confederate and to whom he gave the \$12,000 he got from the banks.

The revolver was of the 22 calibre type and was said to be the property of the Spinnery boy. The Levesque boy was moved in the ambulance to the Lowell hospital.

HE DECLINED TO RESIGN

N. H. BOARD OF CONTROL SAYS SERVICES OF DR. BANCROFT TERMINATE DEC. 31

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—The state board of control voted today that the services of Dr. C. P. Bancroft as superintendent and treasurer of the New Hampshire State hospital in this city terminate Dec. 31, 1914. Previously by a like vote the board asked for the resignation of Dr. Bancroft, which he declined to tender, demanding a statement of the reasons for the request. To this demand the board has not replied.

TO MANAGE YANKEES

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—A local paper quoting an unnamed National league manager prints a story that Joe Kelly, the former Baltimore star, will lead last year of the Toronto team will be manager of the York Americans should the Ruppert-Hudson deal go through. Kelly, it is said, is a personal friend of Captain Huston. He was manager of the Cincinnati club for several seasons.

AYER'S ALMANACS SHIPPED

Fifteen Tons of Them Sent by Parcel Post From the Local Office Today

Fifteen tons of Ayer's almanacs are today being sent by parcel post from the local postoffice to various points throughout the United States. Millions of the almanacs have been sent out during the past few weeks to different parts of the United States, the J. C. Ayer company having used the parcel post exclusively this year to circulate its book throughout the country.

This is the first year that such large shipments have been allowed by the postoffice department and it was stated today at the J. C. Ayer company that thousands of dollars were saved by using the parcel post instead of the railroad. This large number of almanacs is being shipped very promptly at this postoffice and the other mail is not at all delayed by the heavy shipment.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

The junior class of the Lowell Vocational school entertained the senior class at a Christmas party yesterday afternoon. Those who took part in the program were: Arlette Korum, recitation, "The Inventor's Wife"; Mildred Fahn, selections on the violin; Mae MacDonald, A Spanish Dance; The Sailer's Harmonica; Josephine Robinson, recitation, "Is Marriage a Failure"; Helen Robinson, Impersonation of Santa Claus.

NOMINATED BY PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson today nominated William Spencer of Philadelphia, now secretary of the legation at Caracas, to be secretary of the legation at Panama.

STATUE OF LINCOLN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Daniel Chester French of New York was selected today as sculptor of the bronze statue of Lincoln, which will form a part of the Lincoln memorial structure here.

GERMAN LINER WAS TOO EXPOSED, SAYS CAPT. POLACK—EAST BOSTON DOCK EXTENDED

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—After swinging at her anchor in two harbors for more than four months, the German liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie was hauled into dock today for the first time since leaving New York with her gold cargo on July 25. The Cecilie has been at anchor quarantine since she arrived from Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 9, but Captain Polack decided that her position there was too exposed. A dock at East Boston was extended at a cost of several thousand dollars to accommodate her.

Three other German steamers now at quarantine will be brought up to the city also.

CECELIE NOW IN DOCK

GARDNER'S CASE CITY HALL NEWS

Judge McLaughlin Today Decided in Favor of the City

The valuation of personal property and real estate exempt from taxation in this city, including literary, temperance, benevolent, charitable and scientific institutions and houses of religious worship totals \$5,227,114.42.

The following insurance is carried on city property: City hall, Memorial building, library, buildings and contents, \$357,993; bellers, \$240; charity department, \$15,750; health department, \$100; park department, \$1,000; fire range, \$5000; street department, \$20,000; school department, \$25,120.

Here's something to think about even though we won't have to worry. The money for the city hall and memorial buildings comes due in 1920. The amount now is \$150,000. Six years hence it will be \$200,000. The following is the sum of \$150,000 due on the high school and in 1920 also water loans representing \$1,000,000 will come due.

The annual interest on the Thomas Nesmith fund of \$25,000 is \$1,500. The annual interest on the Jonathan fund of \$10,000, the fund to be restored by a loan is \$600.

The municipal council will meet tomorrow afternoon and will in all probability take action on the claims represented in the petitions heard by Mayor Murphy last night. The mayor and the city collector went over the claims today, with the hope of getting them in shape for tomorrow's meeting.

Nine applicants for chauffeurs licenses took the weekly examination at city hall this forenoon. These examinations are given under the auspices of the Massachusetts commission, and the examiner today was Mr. Lathrop.

LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL

The Lowell Textile day school will close next Tuesday afternoon and not be resumed until Jan. 1, giving the pupils a two weeks' vacation. This long period will enable the students who live in distant states to arrive home for Christmas and remain there until the New Year. The Textile school registers contain many addresses in the middle west and as many students as possible will spend the holidays in their homes. The evening sessions will be suspended on Thursday and Friday evenings of next week.

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HIGH GRADE HAND BAGS \$1.98—Of fine quality morocco and pin seal finished leather. Pattern and regular shapes in various sizes, all fitted with purse and mirror. Special at \$1.98.
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\$4.00 STUDENTS' BAGS—Heavy leather, linen lined, hand stitched frames, suitable for students or professional people, black seal or tan finished. Special at \$2.98.
HIGH GRADE TRAVELING BAGS \$4.95—Genuine cowhide, tan or black walrus finish, brass trimmed frames, leather lined, large size. Special at \$4.95.
A complete assortment of leather traveling manfure and toilet cases, at \$1.50 up to \$10.00.

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\$7.50 BRACELET WATCH \$4.98—Gold and silver plated bracelet watches, imported movement, fully guaranteed. Special at \$4.98.
\$1.00 PENDANTS AND CHAINS 50c—Gold plated neck chain, with pendant set with pearls and assorted stones. Special at 50c.
\$2.50 VANITY CASES \$1.45—Genuine silver vanities, long envelope shape, holds four different sized combs, also mirror, puff and cards. Special at \$1.45.
\$2.00 ROSARY BEADS 95c—Gold plated chains, guaranteed for 10 years' wear, in ruby, opal, sapphire, emerald, amethyst and jet. Special at 95c.
\$1.00 BEAD BAGS 65c—Handsome, imported bead hand bags in a varied assortment of combination colors, gold plated frames. Special at 65c.

BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS

\$1.00 POPULAR FICTION 45c—Well bound books, in a big assortment of popular titles, by the best authors. Special at 45c.
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25c STATIONERY 15c—A big assortment of fancy box stationery in plain or fancy covers, linen finish paper and envelopes, in several sizes. Special at 15c.
SPECIAL VALUE STATIONERY 10c—Fancy boxed stationery, in various sizes and decorated boxes, also juvenile sizes and correspondence cards. Special at 10c.

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MEN'S Handkerchiefs, 10c, 6 in Box 50c.
MEN'S All Linen Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2c, 6 in Box 75c.
MEN'S Very Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c, 6 in Box \$1.50.
MEN'S White and Colored Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50.
WOMEN'S All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 in Box for 50c.
WOMEN'S Very Fine Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, 4 styles of initials, 12 1/2c, 6 in Box 75c.
WOMEN'S Extra Quality Linen Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c, 6 in Box \$1.50.
WOMEN'S Handkerchiefs, fine dimiti, 3 in Box for 25c.
WOMEN'S All Linen Handkerchiefs, Herold embroidery, 4 in Box for \$1.00.
WOMEN'S Lace Trimmed Linen Handkerchiefs from 25c to \$5.00 Each.

WOMEN'S NECKWEAR

Women's Muslin Plaited Roll Collar and Cuff, 25c Set.
Women's Muslin and Lace Collar and Cuff Set, from 50c to \$2.98.
Women's Muslin and Lace Collars, boned and plaited, 25c.
Women's Fine Lace Standing Collars, all boned, ribbon trimmed, 50c.
Women's Organza Collars, very fine, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.98.
Crope de Chine Bows, all colors, different patterns, 25c and 50c.

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Corset Cover Patterns
Silk Hosiery
Ribbons
Toilet Articles
Perfumes
Toilet Sets
Manicure Sets
Corsets
Ornith Feathers
Fancy Stationery
Books
Razors
Prayer Books
Bibles
Mexican Work
Cut Work
Drawn Work
Battenberg
Pin Cushions
Fancy Work
Jewelry
Shell Goods
Hair Ornaments
Rings
Umbrellas
Men's Neckwear
Fancy Suspenders
Men's Bath Robes
Men's Silk Hose
Fancy Belts

In Basement

Fancy Waist Patterns
Fancy Blankets
Silk Down Puffs
Towels
Tray Cloths
Linen Sets
Embroidered Pillow Cases
Dolls
Glass
Victrolas
Grafonolas
Silverware
Hand Painted China
Japanese China
Bric-a-Brac

Second Floor

Couch Covers
Utility Boxes
Lace Curtains
Portieres
Cedar Chests
Undergarments
Infants' Wear
Aerons
Kimonos
Furs

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Men's Bath Robes, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.
Men's Sweaters, \$2.00 to \$6.00.
Men's Christmas Suspenders, 25c to \$1.00.
Men's Christmas Armlets, 25c to 50c.
Men's Christmas Sets, 50c to \$1.00.
Men's Christmas Ties, 25c to \$1.00.
Men's Christmas Gloves, 25c to \$5.00.
Men's Christmas Slippers, 45c to \$2.00.
Men's Christmas Moccasins, \$2.00.
Women's Christmas Moccasins, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
Women's Christmas Slippers, 49c to \$1.00.
Children's Christmas Slippers, 49c to \$1.00.
Boys' Christmas Slippers, 49c to \$1.00.
Men's Bath Slippers, 50c.

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Over \$14,000. Worth of Women's Gloves for You to Choose From.
We have every size in every desirable shade. In all grades. We placed our Christmas orders last spring and we got them filled, too.
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Miles and miles of beautiful Ribbons suitable for Christmas work, Bows, Hair Ribbons, Men's Ties, etc. Handsome weaves in every desirable shade and color combination. Every yard fresh from the looms of the world's best factories. The prices: O. K.

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ENDED HIS LIFE A DARING RESCUE

Chelmsford Man Drank Fatal Dose While He Was Despondent

A farmer named H. W. Smith, living on Smith avenue, off Steadman street, Chelmsford, committed suicide yesterday afternoon, by drinking a large quantity of carbolic acid. Smith had been despondent for some time previous. He was 36 years of age.

At the time when the victim drank the acid there was nobody at home except his father. As soon as the elder Mr. Smith discovered what his son had done he rushed to the telephone and called medical assistance but it was too late. The unfortunate man died before the physician could reach his place.

GAVE BELGIAN CONCERT

FINE PROGRAM GIVEN IN COLONIAL HALL BEFORE A GOOD-SIZED AUDIENCE

A concert by the Belgian School of Music and Languages was given at Colonial hall last evening. The attendance was fairly large and those present enjoyed the program. Those who took part were Philippe O. Bergeron, violinist, who recently returned from the conservatory of music; William Puhlig, cellist; Henry Campbell, baritone, and teacher of languages; and Wilfred Kershaw, accompanist.

LITTLE MONKEY BUSINESS

Member of Musicians' Union threw a Stone into "Joe" Fredette's Monkeys Not Members

Just as "Joe" Fredette, leader of the Opera House orchestra was leaving the theatre yesterday afternoon he was held up by a member of the Musicians' union, who greeted him as follows: "The union is going to get after you fellows."

"What for?" asked "Joe". "You're playing with a non-union bunch," replied his friends as he soberly walked away.

"Joe" called up in his mind all the members of the orchestra and was confident that all of his fellow players had exits.

As he thought it over, a light suddenly dawned on him and he said: "Trying to make a monkey of me, I guess."

A feature of the Monkey Cabaret show at the Opera House is an orchestra composed of monkeys who perform with the human orchestra is playing and the monkeys don't belong to the union.

FLAGS TO BARTLET SCHOOL

A delegation of twelve of the G. A. R. circle 8, journeyed to the Bartlett Training school yesterday afternoon and presented the school with beautiful flags, one to fly from the flag pole on top of the building and the other to hang inside. The following program was given by the children:

Address of welcome, Walter Hall; history of the flag, Edward Rogers; recitation, "The Flag Goes By," Claver Brown; recitation, "The Name of Old Glory," Alton Bourgeois; song, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," recitation, "The American Flag," Clarence Partridge; Ruth Lockhart, Hazel Bonham, Grace Barrett and Mary Sullivan, recitation, "The National Anthem," Elizabeth O'Neill; presentation of the flags by the ladies of the G. A. R. circle 8; acceptance, Walter Hall; salute to the flag, the school; song, "America."

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Dorchester Man Snatched Girl From in Front of Electric Car

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Howard Robbins of 7 Minton street, Dorchester, snatched 12-year-old Alice Pouchey of 46 Pleasant street, Dorchester, from in front of an electric car by climbing from the front vestibule to the fender last night and saved the girl from being injured. He caught her up and swung her to the platform and held her there until the car came to a stop.

GERMANS PRAISE ALLIES

CREDIT RUSSIAN, FRENCH, BELGIAN AND ENGLISH TROOPS WITH BRAVERY AND SKILL

(Correspondence of Associated Press) BERLIN, Dec. 18.—Evidence of the reaction of German officers and soldiers fighting at the front against the tendency to belittle the fighting qualities of the enemy continue to accumulate.

Soldiers' letters and returning soldiers speak in terms of high appreciation of the military prowess and soldierly qualities of their opponents and among several hundred wounded with whom the correspondents of the Associated Press has talked in his visits to hospitals the last fortnight no one was found who refused to credit the enemy in general, Russian, French and Belgian and English with bravery and military skill.

Distinctions are drawn, it is true, the British being generally reckoned as the toughest opponents on the west front.

The Germans had a high opinion of the fighting qualities of the French soldier before this war began. The fighting which occurred on the march from the Belgian frontier to the Marne and Paris tended to lessen their respect for toughness of French moral fibre, but the last two months have changed that again and soldiers' letters reflect increased respect for them. The recent fighting of the remnants of the Belgian army in Flanders also has greatly raised the German estimation of the Belgian soldier, who, in the general army opinion, had not greatly distinguished himself at Liege, Namur and Antwerp and the intervening field engagements.

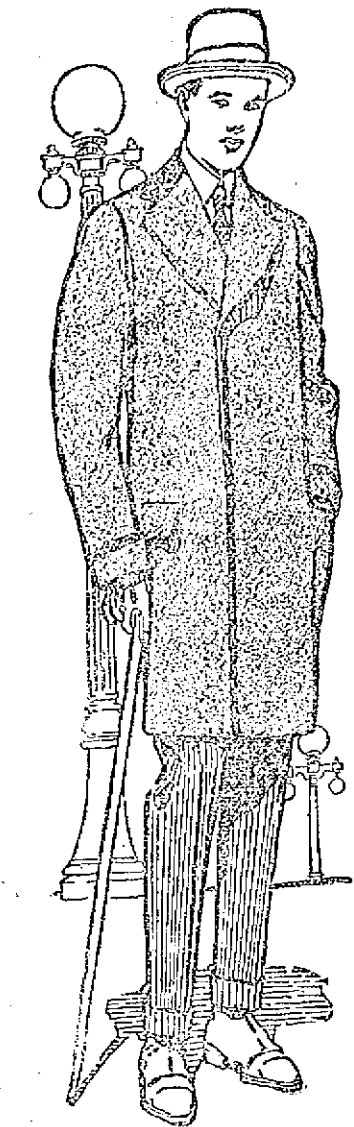
As to the British, field post letters continue to bear out the statement from a German expert as to their robust fighting qualities. One of the latest of these letters, printed in the Cologne Gazette, contains the following striking passage:

"People at home appear to have wrong notions about the fighting qualities of the enemy. The English are the toughest and bravest foe we have to meet. Every individual man keeps on shooting coolly so long he is not taken prisoner and these trained veterans shoot well. When we storm a position the French will run when we close in with our shouts of 'Hurrah' but the English stick tenaciously to their entrenchments to the last."

Danzon's Annecy, the leading military publication of Austria, pays a high tribute to the Serbian, Belgian and Russian troops. The Serbians are called brave, but declaration is made that they are without food and ammunition. Credit is given to the Belgians for standing with England and France "when they must have realized that their own cause was irretrievably lost." The press is criticized for its attacks on the Russians, saying they are brave and capable.

CELEBRATE MUSLIMAN FETE

PARIS, Dec. 18.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—The government, in arranging facilities for the religious services of the sects in the army, as previously announced, did not forget the Mussulmans. For the fete of All Saints or Feast of the Lamb, which fell on Saturday, Oct. 1st, the military authorities arranged for the installation of provisional mosques wherever practicable. At each place a live sheep was provided for the rites where it was possible, and when no live animal was available a quarter of mutton was furnished. A great many wounded Africans in Havre and Saint Etienne were thus able to observe the great Mussulman fete as usual. After the ablutions, the faithful knelt barefoot, according to the rites, on carpets spread in schoolhouses or in the courts of buildings, wherever premises were available, and after long prayers returned to the hospitals where the fete continued with the participation of those whose condition prevented them from leaving their beds.



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SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The following officers were elected to serve for one year at last evening's meeting of High Lodge, N. E. O. P.: Warden, N. E. Fisher; vice warden, Mrs. Bertha E. Ober; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Burrows; financial secretary, Mrs. A. C. Burrows; treasurer, Mrs. J. Rita Bowen; chaplain, H. C. Gordon; guide, John J. Markham; guardian, John Robertson; sentinel, G. R. Hugganbottom; representatives to grand lodge, Fred Thomas and Mrs. Dora A. Chase; alternate, Mrs. Lulu M. Hutchins and Mrs. Deborah T. Norris; trustee for three years, W. G. Bowen; pianist, Mrs. T. J. Chandler. The installation will take place at the next meeting on Jan. 2, when Deputy Grand Warden Mrs.

Estelle I. Evans and suite of Cambridge will be present.

The entertainment committee will arrange a supper for that evening.

Div. 1, A. O. H.

At a meeting of Div. 1, A. O. H. held last evening in its hall in the Howe building a membership contest was started and prizes will be awarded to members who have the best success in securing new members between now and St. Patrick's night. It is also planned to hold a large classification in February when the 4th anniversary of the division will be celebrated. Ten new members were initiated into the organization and 14 applications for membership were received and balloted as follows:

President, Martin F. McCarthy; vice president, Michael Casey; treasurer, Thomas McMan; financial secretary, James A. Sheehan; recording secretary, Homer J. Verelle; sergeant-at-arms, Frank Brick; sentinel, Martin Flanagan; standing committee, Jas. Lyons, chairman, John O'Hare, Frank Brick.

The officers will attend the county convention to be held in Waltham, Sunday, Dec. 27.

Court Warrant, F. of A.

Court Warrant, Foresters of America, met last evening and elected the following officers for the coming year:

Chief ranger, William A. Kelly; sub chief ranger, James H. Carney; treasurer, Charles H. Melloy; financial secretary, Thomas H. Carney; recording secretary, James White; senior woodward, James Farrell; junior woodward, Geo. White; junior bundle, Patrick Jarrett; lecturer, William A. Heaton; physician, Dr. James E. Leary; trustee for three years, James Curry; remarks on the road of the order were made by Brothers White, Garvey, Tyrell, Kelly and G. H. The amalgamation committee will meet the first Sunday in January.

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The ladies' auxiliary to the Street Carriers' union has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. P. E. Lowe; first vice president, Mrs. Wm. Mahoney; second vice president, Mrs. William Leary; treasurer, Mrs. William Sproule; secretary, Mrs. Edward Welch; and guardian, Mrs. Charles Flannery. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 6, at the home of Mrs. Harrison in Shaw street.

Sam Walter Foss Club

Rev. Ernest Trille addressed the members of the Sam Walter Foss club at this week's meeting on the subject, "Life and Its Opportunities." The session was held at the home of Mrs. Emily Kittredge, 23 James street, and a large amount of routine business was transacted after which there were songs by Mrs. Etta Richardson and piano solos by Miss Laura Kittredge. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Stella McDonald, 866 Walker street, on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 6, 1915.

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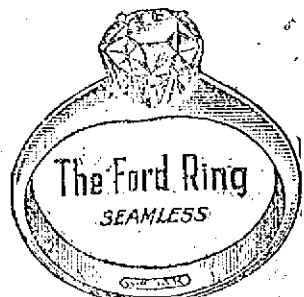
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INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The dance held under the auspices of the Shu Workers last evening at Association hall was an immense success.

Jack Gallagher, a young man well known in this city, is now employed at the U. S. Cartridge Co.

Jack Cronin of the Stirling mills will enter college next year and take up the study of dentistry.

William Buckle, formerly of the Haver Rock mills, is now employed at the Haver Rock mills in Lowell.

The Electrical Workers union will hold its regular meeting tonight in the Fiske building.

Jack Kelley, a regular street railway conductor will make a hard night's work of it tonight.

Two departments and a part of a third department of the Root mills were in operation at 12 o'clock last night.

Frank Burke, formerly employed in the printing business in Watertown, Conn., has accepted a position in Franklin, N. H.

Joshua Chapple, the prominent socialist is being congratulated on an event that took place a short time ago in Norwich, Conn.

John Moran of the Massachusetts mills

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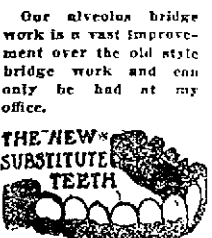
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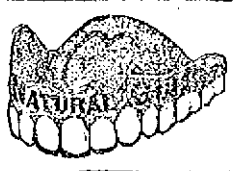
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which had quite a run in Boston recently.

Jack Hall, an employee at the American Hide & Leather Co., who last year was given a tryout by the Boston Red Sox, will catch on with one of the Lowell teams this season if it is reported.

The smoke talk and return to be held under the auspices of St. Peter's Hall, Sunday night, will give promise of being instructive and highly enjoyable. President Ward will be the speaker.

James Gearin of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. will take the engineers' examination to be held in Boston Jan. 6, 1915. Mr. Gearin has made good preparation and is confident of success.

Miss Edith Myers of the Merrimack Manufacturing Co. is among the ladies attending the "The Road to Happiness" in Boston recently. Miss Myers hasn't returned as yet whether she found it.

The various department stores down at present one of the most beautiful in the city, and it would be hard indeed to select the most attractive display. Christmas shopping will be started with a rush on Monday.

Agent Whittely of the Lowell Branch, is one of the most energetic and efficient in this part of the country. Mr. Whittely started at the bottom of the ladder, proceeded to the master mechanic's rank, and then to the top, to his present position.

Thomas McQuade of the Lowell Manufacturing Co. won easily in his match with a noted expert at a local pool parlor last Monday evening. Tom has the makings of a pool champion and should devote more time to the game.

Boss Hall, the energetic business agent of the Machinists' union has not visited the local branch for some time, undoubtedly due to the pressure of business. Mr. Hall has addressed the members of the local union on several occasions and is well liked by them. His home is in Lynn, Mass.

Arthur O'Neill, the local bookkeeper at Cudahy's in Market street is at present busily engaged sending out invitations for the annual dancing party conducted by the 12th Hour Cannery. Arthur says the affair this year will be even more enjoyable than preceding events.

The Beaver Brook mills in Collierville were running in several departments last night, and the lights of the mill as contrasted with the darkness outside presented a beautiful picture of industry prospering. These mills are a part of the American Woolen company.

Amicable settlement in differences arising between employer and employee is a plank in the platform of the Post & Ship Workers' union. Organizer E. J. Whelan has addressed the members of this union in a large number of the localities. The union paid out \$1,000 in death, sick or disability benefits last year the grand sum of \$1,000,243.22.

John Quinn, stage manager at Keith's has the reputation among the players of being one of the most efficient and consequently one of the most popular stage men of the circuit. John was pretty good on the boards himself in his day, and since his exodus has appeared in many amateur performances, in which he displayed much of the old time stuff.

Supt. C. S. Bodfish Promoted
Clarence E. Bodfish, for several years employed as superintendent of the City State mills of this city has received a well deserved promotion by the American Woolen company, having been appointed to be agent of the Pittsfield Woollen mills, Pittsfield, Mass. His successor in the City State mills has not been appointed as yet.

Colored Printers Union
The Colored Printers' union held a meeting in Odd-Fellows hall last night and a list of routine business was transacted. Two new members were admitted. The secretary's report showed the union to be in excellent standing both financially and numerically.

Machinists Union
The Machinists' union held a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting last evening in the union quarters in Middle street with President Walter Phelps in the chair. Several new members were admitted and committee reports were accepted as read. A stack of important communications were properly referred to the secretary for disposal. The secretary's report denoted progress.

Typographical Union Meet
On Saturday evening, Dec. 19, the Typographical union will hold its regular monthly meeting at its new quarters in Post 120 hall, Mechanics Savings bank building, directly opposite the parsonage of St. Anne's church.

The meeting will take the form of a housewarming, and an elaborate musical buffet lunch will be served after the business session. The dining of the turkeys will also take place, and the prizes will be awarded for the best selling contest.

The new quarters are elegantly furnished and will make the most comfortable home the Typographical union has ever had.

It is up to the members to show their appreciation to the new working conditions who have made the new quarters possible by attending the meeting, which again, lest you forget, is Saturday night.

Trades & Labor Council
A very important and highly interesting meeting of the Trades & Labor Council was held last evening at 158 Merr'k St. in Middle street, at which the secretary of the important body was instructed to get in touch with representatives and sympathizers in an effort to secure reference on the question of public ownership of street railways, before any further consolidation of steam and electric roads be sanctioned.

The council also recorded its disapproval and opposition to the suggestion recently made by Governor Walsh, which would grant to the boards the authority to modify labor laws.

A communication from the Massachusetts state board was received, notifying the local council to appoint a special committee to be in readiness at any time to appear at the state house on legislative matters affecting their interests which may arise from time to time. The communication was given proper attention.

The grievance committee's report showed that various matters of importance to labor had been settled amicably. An appropriation of \$15 was made in response to an appeal made by the American Federation for the relief of the members of labor unions now in office at Gloversville, N. Y., Atlanta, Ga., and Calumet, Minn. A. J. Conners stated that he is not ready to answer definitely at present. The secretary was instructed to extend an invitation to Vice President James Dunne to address the council.

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MANY PETITIONS

Mayor Hears Claimants
Who Have Claims
Against the City

Petitioners seeking to recover for personal injuries or damage to property were given a hearing before Mayor Murphy in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last night. The mayor was assisted by City Solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy. All of the petitioners notified of the hearing did not appear. No action was taken on any of the petitions and nothing will be done until the municipal council as a whole has gone over the evidence. The hearing was begun at 7:30 o'clock.

The petitioners included Mrs. B. J. Bernard of 94 Fletcher street, who had hurt her side and arms by falling in Fletcher street. She said she caught her foot in a protection and fell.

Mrs. Nellie L. Small of 88 Eighteenth street caught her foot in a hole at the corner of Fletcher and Pawtucket streets and hurt her foot. She has not been able to work steadily since the accident. She estimates her damages at \$250.

Mrs. Letitia Watson of By street said she fell on the sidewalk in Algon Avenue. A hump on the sidewalk had caused her to slip and when she fell she broke her leg in two places. She was in the hospital from January until March. Counsel for Mrs. Watson presented a statement of injuries from Dr. M. A. Tigne. Mr. Howard asked compensation in the sum of \$200.

P. H. Bradley said he was hurt Jan. 31 on Gordon street. At the corner of Madison street there was much ice on the sidewalk, and he fell and was rendered unconscious. He was carried into a house and later went home, where he was attended by Dr. James F. Loughran, who insisted Mr. Bradley should go to the hospital. His shoulder was badly hurt, and now he can raise his right arm only as high as his mouth. Questioned by his attorney, Mr. Bradley said he had not consulted a lawyer for over two months, because he had had a claim against the city settled previously. Questioned by the mayor, Mr. Bradley spoke of a hole in the sidewalk, although in the statement to the city solicitor no mention of any hole in the sidewalk appeared. Dr. Francis B. Mahoney said he had recently examined Mr. Bradley, which examination indicated that the shoulder had been dislocated.

William J. J. Heurich said that in August last, while driving for Sam H. Hostler in East Pine street, the horse slipped into a catch-basin and knocked it off. The horse was laid up for two weeks.

Frank J. Ladd claimed damages through the construction of the sanitary station in Palace street. Property owned by Mr. Ladd was rendered unrentable there for a time, while the station was being built. Since that time the rent has depreciated.

Robert E. Crowley appeared in connection with a land damage claim presented by Ed Greenberg. Mr. Crowley said he sold land in Wilder street, formerly owned by Mr. Greenberg, to familiar with land taken by the city for the extension of Shaw street. Since that time Mr. Greenberg has erected two houses, which fact has increased the value of adjoining land to 29 cents a square foot.

Solicitor Hennessy said the city

council had awarded \$492 in 1913, in this same matter.

Napoleon Bechard, representing himself, said that he was crossing the Central bridge, on the night of Nov. 11; catching his foot on a defective plank, the plank was torn from his heel.

William Brownham said that while working in the sewer department, the staging broke and caused the earth to cave in, and his knee and shoulder were cut. He had not worked for 18 days. Mayor Murphy said that the claim properly comes under the terms of the workmen's compensation act, which allows for time lost over two weeks.

Mrs. Daniel H. Cooney asked compensation of \$5 for damage to hay, caused by employees of the moth department. Mayor Murphy said the claim was valid.

Francis E. Faulkner was the first witness in the case of Mrs. Lillian Craig, who appeared for her 6-year-old son. He said he saw a district fire chief's machine strike the boy. Dr. P. L. McLean said he saw the boy Aug. 15 at his home, 22 Rock street. The teeth were loosened and there were abrasions on the arms and body. Mrs. Craig said she had to leave her work in the mill for two and one-half weeks to attend her son.

Catherine Curran said she had sprained her ankle in Sherman street. The accident occurred July 21, she was attended by Dr. James P. McDermott.

Samuel Tompkins' house in Fairmount street was badly damaged by fire May 11. Men employed by the city had been burning brush across the street and Mr. Tompkins said the house caught from the brush fire. The loss was adjusted by the insurance company, but Mr. Tompkins said he was obliged to move and pay rent elsewhere. District Chief James C. Sullivan said there was a brush fire on the opposite side of the street from Mr. Tompkins' house, and was said that the fire had its origin in the brush fire. If his own knowledge, he did not know the cause of the fire.

Fred S. Harvey, representing the American Good Roads Machinery company, presented a bill for \$125.12, including interest for goods ordered by Newell P. Putnam, which were intended for streets. Mayor Murphy said that the materials had been used by the city, and he would recommend the payment of the bill. Mr. Harvey also presented a bill for \$35.14 from the Asphalton Rubber company, for goods supplied.

Bennett Brothers had a claim in for damage due to the overflow of a catch basin. It was stated that the sewage flowed over the land into the cellar, and a lot of cypress lumber, which had been kiln-dried was badly damaged.

P. S. C. MEETING

An important meeting of the members of the Pawtucketville Social club was held last night in the club's rooms in Moody street with President Joseph Payette in the chair. A feature of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: President, Joseph Payette; vice president, Rosalie Tourangeau; secretary, John Brunelle; assistant secretary, Louis Descheneaux; treasurer, Joseph Sawyer; assistant treasurer, Dolphus Robert; librarian, Albert Lemay and sergeant-at-arms, Urselle Larue.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

HUMAN CHAIN SAVES SKATER—
FRIENDS RISK LIFE FOR ROBERT KING

WATERTOWN, Dec. 18.—Robert King, aged 24, of 194 Los Angeles street, Newton, was rescued from drowning in the Charles river near the Riverton section yesterday afternoon only after four of his companions had formed a human chain and risked their lives to save him.

About 3 o'clock King, with John, Frank and Samuel Halfrey, 76 Essex street, and Walter Arsenault, of 34 Bridge street, Newton, went skating on the river. They went as far as Faneuil on the Newton side. Returning, they went out nearer the center of the river toward the Watertown side. When almost opposite Riverton, King, who was leading, broke through the thin ice and was soon foundering about.

Park Officer Dominick O'Connor called to the young men not to get excited while he started for a ladder and rope, which were on the riverbank some distance away. The Halfrey brothers found a plank, and lying flat on the ice with Arsenault, they pushed it toward King, who was fast becoming numb. They called words of encouragement to him, and John Halfrey, who was the head man in the chain, managed to push the plank far enough for King to get hold of it.

John Halfrey then pushed himself along until he succeeded in getting hold of King's hand. While attempting to pull him up he fell into the water but managed to cling to his friend. By this time Officer O'Connor had arrived with the ladder and rope and the two young men were pulled from the water.

Both were suffering from the cold and were taken to the Metropolitan police station in Belton, where they were cared for until they were able to go to their homes.

The accident and rescue were witnessed by a large crowd and the young men were complimented on their good judgment and courage.

FINES AGGREGATE \$750

TWO DRUGGISTS AND CLERK ARRESTED IN CAMBRIDGE ON CHARGES OF LIQUOR SELLING

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Fines aggregating \$750 were imposed yesterday in the Cambridge district court on two Cambridge druggists and a clerk, convicted of illegal selling of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale, and maintaining a liquor nuisance.

Leonard E. Hubbard of 1093 Cambridge street was found guilty of keeping and exposing liquor for sale, and guilty of making one illegal sale. He was fined \$10 on each count. Mr. Hubbard was found not guilty of maintaining a liquor nuisance and was also cleared of a charge of making an illegal sale, two being named in the complaint.

J. Bennett Vogel, 215 Western avenue, was found guilty of making three illegal sales of liquor, keeping and exposing liquor for sale and maintaining a liquor nuisance. He was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225. His clerk, Roy H. Fletcher, charged with making three illegal sales of liquor, was fined \$75 on each count, a total of \$225.

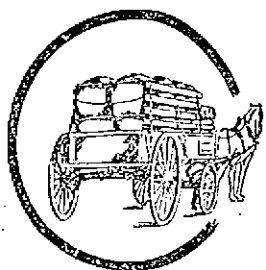
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INSANITY IN THIS COUNTRY

Enormous Increase in Number
of Insane Under Institutional
Care — Asylums Overcrowded

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Is insanity in the United States on the increase? This question is discussed by Dr. Joseph A. Hill in the government report on the Insane in Institutions, soon to be issued by William J. Harris, director of the census. In the department of commerce. That there has been an enormous increase in the number of insane under institutional care is made evident by the statistics presented in this report, but, for reasons there set forth, this in itself can not be regarded as conclusive proof of an increase of insanity in the general population outside of institutions.

The number of insane reported in institutions increased from 150,151 in 1901 to 187,701 in 1910, an increase of 25 per cent in six years. The total population of the United States in the same interval increased only 12 per cent. Therefore the insane in institutions increased twice as fast as the population. In 1904, out of every 100,000 persons in the total population, 184 were reported in institutions for the insane; by 1910 the number had increased to 204. In other words, in 1904, one person out of every 543 was confined to an institution for the insane; in 1910, one person out of every 490. There was a similarly marked increase in the number of annual admissions to these institutions. 60,750 persons having been admitted in 1910, as compared with 48,622 in 1909, an increase of 22 per cent. The number of admissions per 100,000 population increased from 61 in 1904 to 66 in 1910.

These increases are at least partly attributable to the extension of the provisions made for the care of insane persons and to the growth of the practice of placing them in institutions. There is an increasing disposition and willingness on the part of the public to accept institutional treatment. The old-time horror of the lunatic asylum, fully justified, perhaps, by the inhuman practices formerly prevailing in such institutions, has largely disappeared, and it is coming to be recognized that the modern institution for the insane is simply a hospital for the treatment of mental diseases, fulfilling essentially the same purpose for the sick. In the interval between 1901 and 1910 the number of institutions for the insane increased from 325 to 365, the average number of inmates per institution increasing from 458 to 512.

Insane Asylums Overcrowded
Notwithstanding these developments, the provisions for the institutional care of the insane are still very inadequate in most parts of the United States. There are general complaints of overcrowded institutions

of the 60,768 persons admitted to insane hospitals in 1910, 36,664 came from cities, villages or other incorporated places of more than 2,500 inhabitants, while 24,102 came from the smaller towns or country districts, leaving 3,673 for whom the place of residence was not reported. Of more significance, however, are the statistics showing the number of admissions in proportion to the total population of each class of communities. From rural communities 11 insane persons were admitted per 100,000 population; from the urban communities the ratio was 58 per 100,000. These figures cover the entire United States, but there is a similar difference in all sections of the country. Everywhere the ratio of admissions is higher, and usually much higher, from urban than from rural communities, although the contrast is rather less striking in New England than in other geographic divisions. It seems

probable, therefore, that the increase in the proportion of total population living in cities has resulted in an increase of insanity.

Effects of Dissipation

A partial explanation of the difference between city and country, as regards their contributions to the hospitals for the insane, is found in the statistics of cases of general paralysis and of alcoholic psychosis. These are forms of insanity which, directly or indirectly, are caused by vice or dissipation. Of the total number of persons admitted to hospitals in 1910, 18.9 per cent, or more than one-sixth, were afflicted with one or the other of these diseases. This class of cases, however, formed only 1.64 per cent, or one-tenth, of the admissions from rural communities, as compared with 21 per cent, or one-fifth, of the admissions from urban communities. The

ratio of such cases to 100,000 population was 4.3 for rural communities, as compared with 18 for urban; that is to say, in proportion to population, the cases of this character received from the city were about four and one-half times as numerous as those from the country.

When the cases of alcoholic psychosis and general paralysis are left out of account, the ratio of admissions to hospitals for the insane still remains higher from urban communities than from rural, but the contrast becomes less striking; the ratio for the other cases of insanity being 53 per 100,000 for urban population, as compared with 37 per 100,000 for rural.

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Aprons.....25c

FOR CHILDREN—SUITS, COATS AND SHOES

CITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Big Time on the South Common.
Christmas Eve—An Elaborate
Program Arranged

All arrangements for the municipal Christmas tree on the South common have been completed and the tree will be installed Monday afternoon. When the proposition was first taken up it was thought, of course, that it would be much easier to get a tree than to get the necessary singers, but the reverse proved true. The great difficulty came in getting the tree and a spruce tree sufficiently large was not obtainable. But, after visiting Winthrop, Pelham, Salem, Billerica, Ballardvale, Tyngsboro, Westford, Dracut, Carlisle, Andover, New Boston, and all the Chelmsford, John W. Kenyon, superintendent of parks, succeeded in getting a hemlock tree that will suit the purpose. The tree is forty feet high and it was given him by Alfred Skinner, head gardener for the park department. Mr. Skinner has a farm on the bank of the Merrimack about three miles below the Hood farm and there are some nice young hemlocks growing there. It will require a four horse hitch to remove the tree to the South common where it is to be located. The tree will be brilliantly lighted with small incandescent lights and the bandstand will also be prettily decorated. There will be a temporary bandstand hedged in with greenery. It will be beside the new bandstand and the singers will be concealed there.

The municipal Christmas tree is very popular and it will undoubtedly prove a great attraction here. Over 100 cities from New York to Los Angeles are said to have celebrated the holidays of 1913 in this manner and a great many more cities will have municipal Christmas trees this year. The program in connection with the Christmas tree in this city will be quite elaborate and perhaps the most impressive number will come at the stroke of midnight when the carolers will sing "Adeste Fideles"—"O Come, All Ye Faithful." The program:

Concert starts at 10:30 p. m.
By augmented band of Lowell Municipal band, under direction of William Regan.

Part I
March—Stars and Stripes Forever.
Overture—William Tell.
Cornet Solo—Selected.
F. J. Dolan
Gems of Stephen Foster—Arr. Tobani
Xylophone Solo—Selected.
F. Kenyon

Part II
Carols by augmented choir under the direction of Alex. Williams, chorister of St. Anne's, and accompanied by the band.
Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
Joy to the World
Kyrle of Twelfth Mass—Mozart Band

Carols—
(a) Holy God, We Praise Thy Name.
(b) Holy Night.
Augmented Choir
Gloria from Twelfth Mass—Mozart Band

Carols—
(a) Christians Awake, Salute the Happy Morn.
(b) Adeste Fideles, O Come, All Ye Faithful.
Augmented Choir
Selection—Joy to the World.
Art. Barnhouse

Including the following carols: An-
nach, I Am Praying for You, Ring the Bells of Heaven, Let the Lower Lights Be Burning, Rock of Ages, Pill Stream by You Till Morning, Playella, Hymn, My Redeemer, Will Jesus Find Us Watching? Nothing but the Blood of Jesus, Over the Hills, Coronation, Hark to Be a Daniel, in this selection Mr. Kenyon will play the chimes under the direction of William Regan.

NO. CHELMSFORD NEWS

Mills are Busy and Prosperous—
Xmas Exercises in Schools—
Helping War Sufferers

With the coming of Christmas, the subject of politics in North Chelmsford has been temporarily dispensed with and arrangements are being made for a fitting celebration of the great festival. The day will be celebrated at St. John's church in the usual way with a splendid musical program. At the Congregational church the day will also be observed in an elaborate manner.

The mills of the village are all busy and the employees are well satisfied.

Such prosperity has not been experienced by the mills in years. The Silesia Worsted Co. is running full time and some departments are operating on night work. The George C. Moore mills which have been running until 10 o'clock nightly for the past five or six weeks will run all night and day starting Monday. Employees of this mill have not lost a single hour all year. A large order received for soiled wool necessitated the increased change in the schedule. The new schedule is likely to be continued well into the spring. The Lowell Textile Co. is also running overtime, and operations are carried on nightly until 9 o'clock and Saturday afternoons.

Schools Observe Christmas

Both the North high and grammar schools observed Christmas this afternoon with elaborate programs. In the high school, Principal Tracy delivered a highly interesting and instructive address, and this was followed by Victrola selections. In the grammar school each grade had its own program, and the afternoon was spent most enjoyably. The schools closed tonight for the Christmas vacation. The program of the grammar school grades 6 and 7, Miss Mary D. Shaper, teacher, was as follows:

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Stocking's Christmas,
All Saints, Vernon Morris
Merry Christmas, Frances Mallin
A Christmas Carol, Paul Cummings
The Sildest Time, Edward Butler
Santa Claus and the Mouse, Arthur Knox
Song—Joy to the World, Arvilla Knox
Christmas Carol, By the School
Christmas, David Brown
A Visit From St. Nicholas, Florence Odell
Song, William Clark
Christmas Bells, Chester Senior, Dorothy Talbot
Santa Claus, Forest White
Santa Claus On the Train, Mary Tokas
Christmas Gifts, Matthew McGuade
Your Girls
The Festive Time, Harold Bailey
The Olden Story, Agnes Gagnon
The Day of Days, Elmer Peterson

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Recitation—Song of the Angels.
By the School

Recitation,
Chester Senior

Mrs. Santa Claus,
Raymond O'Sell

Song, Holy Night,
By the School

Grade 5, Miss Desmarais Teacher
Photograph Selection,
Charles Mark the Herald Angels Sing

Recitation: "Christmas is Coming,"
Florence Welch

Photograph Selection,
Dramas: "The Christmas Spirit,"
Fred Ryan, Joseph Heblin, May Welsh,
Leola La France, Marion Vassell, Leola,
Boucher, Agnes Hogan, Anna,
Boyle, Catherine Tucker.

Violin Selection,
Helen Marden

Recitation: "A Christmas Tree in the Woods,"
Walter Cawthra

Chorus: "Christmas Carol" by Willis,
Dixie and Music: "The Song and the Story,"
Helen Marden, Ruth Davis and Blanche

Chorus: "O Little Town of Bethlehem,"
Recitation: "Keeping Christmas,"
Clarence Audin

A Story: "The Little Boy Who Tended

the Sheep,"
Chorus: "Now the Day is Over," Holy

St. John's T. A. Society

The members of the ladies' auxiliary to St. John's T. A. society have elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Miss Belle Valentine, president; Miss Mary Murphy, vice president; Miss Mary Daley, recording secretary; Miss Mary Cox, financial secretary; Miss Nina Callahan, treasurer; trustees, Miss Mary Bennequard (chairman), Misses Ernestine Murphy, May Fallon, Florence Boucher, and Mrs. Michael Scollin. Rev. Fr. Mitchell, the spiritual director of the auxiliary, was present and delivered a few remarks of encouragement. Routine business was transacted and several matters having to do with the future welfare of the society were considered.

The members of St. John's T. A. society will conduct a whist party and dance on Dec. 31 at the town hall and a hard-working committee is now at work perfecting arrangements. The proceeds to be derived from the event will go to the building fund. Marlene's Christmas program has been engaged

and will dispense pleasing music for the dancing.

To Help War Sufferers

A benefit concert and entertainment will be held in the town hall Jan. 13, 1915, the proceeds to go towards aiding families in the war-stricken zones. The affair is backed up by Marlene's Crescent orchestra and prominent business men of the village and present indications point to its being an immense success. The following committee is in charge of the affair: Albert Metcalf, chairman; George W. Marland, secretary and treasurer; Gabriel Audin, chairman printing and advertising committees.

Shooting at Crystal Lake

The ice at Crystal Lake is in excellent condition and yesterday afternoon and evening hundreds of skaters had a most enjoyable time there. In the afternoon numerous hockey games were in progress and the writer witnessed the spot, and the youngsters engaged in chasing the puck over the ice. Numerous wrangles took place during the game, and many of the players suffered fromarked skis, received in

class scrimmages. Many women and girls were on the ice and it was plain to be seen that they were taking much enjoyment out of the beautiful and invigorating exercise. If the sun does not get in its work before Sunday the lake is sure to be taxed to capacity.

DANCE IN SCHOOL HALLS

SPRINGFIELD PARK DEPART-
MENT INTRODUCES PLEASING
SYSTEM OF "SOCIAL DANCING"

John W. Kernan, superintendent of parks, attended the second meeting of the park institute of New England held in Worcester city hall yesterday.

Mr. Kernan said it was one of the most interesting meetings he ever attended. A Boston park department man was invited to speak on park legislation and he didn't show up. He was injured in an automobile accident and his subject was handled by Mr. Kernan.

"The greatest treat of the day," said

Mr. Kernan, "was the talk by Supt. Ladd of the Springfield park department. Springfield has introduced 'social dancing' in connection with the park department and Mr. Ladd said it is working out beautifully. Five school halls are used six nights a week, accommodating six nationalities. Springfield is the first city to introduce 'social dancing' in school halls and Mr. Ladd's remarks so appealed to us all that we voted to have the next meeting in Springfield. Lowell will be well represented at the next meeting. The Middlesex Women's club will send representatives and I think all of the park board members will attend."

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RUSSIA AND HER PEOPLE

Graphic Description of the Great Empire and its Races and Grandeur

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Showing how Russia is larger than the entire continent of North America, with the islands of the Caribbean thrown in; how it occupies three-fifths of Europe and two-fifths of Asia; how its Asiatic possessions are one and a half times as great as those of China and three times as great as those of Great Britain; how it comprises one-sixth of the land area of the globe and one-tenth of the world's population, Gilbert H. Grosvenor, director and editor of the National Geographic Society, has just furnished the nearly 350,000 members of that organization with a striking pen picture of "Young Russia—A Land of Unlimited Possibilities."

After giving an impression of the diversity of the origin of its peoples, who come from the Orient and the Occident, the frigid north and the tropic south; of its range of climate, which gives the palm beach touch to its Crimea and the breath of the north to its White sea region; of its vast agricultural wealth; of the widely varying aspirations of its peoples, which differ as greatly as those of the Poles and the Mongols, as those of the Cossacks and the Jews, as those of the Tatars and the Lapps; and of the vastness of the geographic limits of the empire, Mr. Grosvenor says:

But with all its geographic greatness Russia is about as poor in natural outlets to the world as the smallest of the countries of the earth. Holland could be hidden in the vast reaches of the Russian plain, almost as a needle in a haystack, yet Amsterdam does more international business than all the ports of Russia together. Not one free outlet in the open sea does European Russia possess except on the ice-bound shores of the Arctic ocean. The path from the Black sea to the Mediterranean leads through the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles held by alien hands.

Mr. Grosvenor next shows how there lives within the boundaries of the Russian empire enough people to duplicate the population of Germany, Great Britain and France combined, with enough left over to duplicate half the population of Austria-Hungary. Furthermore, if Russia grows from the 12 to 200,000,000 she grew from 1872 to 1912 her population then will be upward of six hundred million.

He then continues: "From such a record of size of Russia in every thing, we should expect Russia to be an old nation, like Great Britain, with perhaps a thousand years of unbroken growth behind her. But, as a matter of fact, Russia is a youth among nations compared with England, a stippling whose full stature and breadth is still a subject of conjecture and speculation."

He is young because she never has had a chance to grow until recent years. Her geographical shape or condition was such that for centuries her people were constantly being enslaved or despoiled by stronger neighbors."

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Russia he released from bondage a population equal to that of the 12 leading states of the United States, and a population more than 12 times as great as was freed by Lincoln's emancipation proclamation not very many months afterward. Alexander bought 350,000,000 acres of land for them, permitting them to buy it from the government on easy terms. He thereby carried into effect the most extensive piece of agrarian legislation in history.

"Each village conducts its own internal affairs through town meetings and not through elected or appointed officials. Their lands are held on the common ownership basis, and are apportioned out for cultivation from time to time.

"With the bulk of its crops raised by the peasantry, and for the most part, employing most primitive means of farming, Russia is still able to produce a very large proportion of the world's food supply. In 1912 it gave to civilization nearly a fourth of its wheat, a full fourth of its oats, a third of its barley and more than half of its rye. That year its wheat crop was 200,000,000 bushels greater than our own, its oat crop equaled ours, its barley crop was three times as great as ours, and its rye crop 25 times as large as ours.

"Russia has more horses than any other nation on earth, with 36,000,000 as compared with our 24,000,000; more sheep than any other nation, with 50,000,000 as compared with our 60,000,000; nearly as many cattle, with 51,000,000 as compared with our 59,000,000.

"The latest authoritative information on Russian educational conditions, that for 1908, shows that only 211 out of every thousand people in the empire could read and write, and there were two illiterate women for every illiterate man. With our hundred million population, in 1912 we had an enrollment of 15,218,000 school children, with her population of 172,000,000 Russia's total enrollment was 1,750,000, and 23 of these were boys for every 10 who were girls.

"And yet the first woman civil engineer in the world was a Russian, and the educated woman of Russia enjoys a freedom equal to that of her kind in any other country in the world. They are even allowed to become professors in men's universities, and after 25 years of service are retired on pensions, which continue during the lives of their husbands, if they are married and are survived by the heads of their houses.

"The czar of Russia is a well paid ruler. He receives the revenues from the Russian crown lands, and their area is equal to that of one-third of the United States. Several years ago the imperial treasurer is reported to have advised the czar: 'Your majesty need have no fear of ever coming to feel the sting of poverty. Financially you are sovereign. If you wish, you could buy out the American multimillionaires, Morgan and Rockefeller, and still have enough left to talk business with Baron Rothschild.' It is said that the czar was displeased at the flattery of the holder of his purse-string. Whether the story is apocryphal or not it does not misrepresent the czar's wealth.

"I have seen the famous cathedrals of Europe—the noted structures of France, Germany, England, Italy and Turkey—but was utterly unprepared for the splendor and brilliancy of St. Isaac's at Petersburg, with its pillars 90 feet high of translucent and malachite, its altar rails of solid silver, containing half a ton of this precious metal and its icons of pearls, studded with huge diamonds, sapphires, emeralds and rubies.

"His religion is very real to the Russian, and his God is really omnipresent to him; he sees His spirit everywhere and everywhere acknowledges it with the sign of the cross and the words, 'Oh Lord, have mercy,' or 'Glory be to Thee, Oh Lord.'"

Mr. Grosvenor also brings out the surprising fact that Russia has in the neighborhood of 35,000,000 men between the ages of 15 and 44 inclusive, and that it annually has about 1,400,000 boys reaching the age of 15."

YOUTH SHOT ON WHARF

WATCHMAN SAYS FOURY TRIED TO FORCE A DOOR—CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Thomas Forey, aged 18, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Forey of 25 Border street, East Boston, was shot and mortally injured last evening on the wharf of the Boston Cold Storage company at 16 New street, East Boston, by Lawrence W. James, aged 26, married, of 45 Pleasant street, Charlestown, the night watchman for the company. James is locked up in the East Boston police station, charged with manslaughter.

James' account of the killing is that while he was making his rounds about 9 o'clock he saw a man evidently trying to force the door of the Pickett Fish company on the wharf. After watching the man a moment he started toward him. The man apparently heard James' footsteps, for he ran to the edge of the wharf and tried to hide behind some empty fish barrels.

When James was within about 300 feet he told the hiding man to come out. The man did come out, and started to approach him in a threatening manner. Then James fired at him. The man continued to approach and James raised his revolver to fire again. Before he could do so the man said: "Don't shoot, man, I'm dead now," and fell.

Forey was picked up unconscious and taken to the East Boston Relief hospital. He did not regain consciousness and after half an hour was pronounced dead.

BOY SCOUTS MET
Vice President William P. White presided at last evening's meeting of the Lowell council of Boy Scouts held in the Y. M. C. A. building. New names were added to the membership list and encouraging reports were read by the officers and committees. Routine business was transacted. A nominating committee will be appointed before the annual election of officers on January 20, 1915.

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Pocket Knives	.25c to 3.50
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Highland Linen	.35c to 1.25
Xmas Booklets, Letters and Greetings	.5c to .50c
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Travelling Mirrors	.69c to 1.29

ARLINGTON PYRALIN IVORY

Hair Brushes	1.98 to 5.49
Mirrors	1.49 to 9.98
Combs	.25c to 1.25
Puff Boxes	.49c to 4.49
Hair Receivers	.98c to 1.75
Trays	.39c to 2.75
Cloth Brushes	1.09 to 2.98
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Trays	.398 to 14.93
Cloth Brushes	.249 to 3.49
Hat Brushes	.149 to 1.98
Nail Buffers	.129 to 1.75

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Mamma Dolls (they talk)	.98c
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Hat Brushes	.40c to 1.49

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Auto Strap	5.00
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Gross Cut	1.50 to 5.00
Durham Derby	2.50
Star Safety	1.00

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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

KEEPING A ROOM TIDY

"It seems as though I never could keep my living room in order," complained Marjorie as she came upon Marie putting to rights her aunt's living room where she had just finished unwrapping a large number of packages. "Why not make a catchall like that one hanging inside the closet door? It will help very much in keeping your living room tidy."

"Tell me how to make one and I will do it at once," enthusiastically broke in Marjorie.

"It is very easy," answered Marie. "If in your living room there were a handy receptacle for odds and ends of off-wanted-in-a-hurry things would not be thrown into a waste paper basket and finally upon an ash heap."

"A sort of catchall that is in evidence as well as ornamental, and which may be hung up, is made by bolting another year for two to accommodate the flask that is growing larger each year."

"The building of the parish house in the village means that the new church building—which is being considered by the parishioners—will also be erected in the heart of the town so that the members of the congregation will not be put to such an inconvenience to attend the services. The present church building has been used for nearly 100 years, it having been built as a meeting house by the church people of Billerica Centre. Since the edifice was removed to North Billerica it has been renovated many times but it is thought that a new church will be built in another year or two to accommodate the flock that is growing larger each year."

Whist Tournament

The standing in the Republican club whist tournament for turkey is as follows: McFadden, 95; J. J. Gerber, 93; Fred Hannan, 92; J. Forhan, 91; Chester Nickerson, 90; Thomas Nickerson, 90; Walter Chandler, 88; R. T. Perry, 87; S. F. Pettinelli, 86; Harry Chandler, 85; Arthur Smith, 84; J. E. McLean, 83; L. B. Morgan, 80; George Chamber, 72; Chris Walker, 72; G. E. Hammond, 71; A. S. Powers, 71; G. E. Powers, 71; Dr. N. E. Forhan, 69; Edgar P. Tynan, 67; W. Lawrence, 65; L. D. Butler, 63; John Beckwith, 61; L. Davidson, 60; Dennis Mahoney, 54.

Ladies of the G. A. R.

A well attended meeting of the Asa Pollard lodge, Ladies of the G. A. R., was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Susan Cowdry. Plans are well underway for the installation of officers which will be held next month. A supper will be served and an excellent entertainment furnished. During the meeting Mrs. Whitehead was presented a framed American flag by Mrs. Butterworth, a member of the circle.

The next meeting of the sewing circle will be held on December 30, with Mrs. Robert Hill of Boston road, North Billerica. It was announced that Mr. Franklin Jaquith of Billerica, a Civil war veteran, is seriously ill at his home.

Matthews T. A. Society

Considerable interest is shown week by week in the results of the pool tournament.

ments of the Father Matthew T. A. society and lively contests are scheduled for each week during the winter months. At this week's meeting of the society two applications for membership were received and accepted.

A meeting of the committee of the Matthews which is to be in conjunction with the Old Times at the New Year's dance, will be held at Matthews hall Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Christmas will be appropriately observed in the churches of Billerica and committees are now diligently at work preparing programs for the Xmas services. In all churches, appropriate sermons will be given and special musical programs will be rendered.

At the North Billerica Baptist church, there will be two Christmas trees heavily laden with presents on Christmas eve. Santa Claus will be present and an entertainment consisting of singing and recitations will be furnished by the children of the Sunday school. Previous to the exercises a supper will be served by the ladies of the church.

Billerica Grange

The last meeting of the year of Billerica grange, No. 23, was held last evening in Grange hall with a large attendance of members. The work of the past year was reviewed and showed that many important objects have been accomplished. The present officers discussed lessons learned during the past year while the officers-elect spoke on plans for the future.

DREAM OF CENTURIES

RESULT OF WAR MAY BE SETTING UP OF PALESTINE AS INDEPENDENT JEWISH STATE.

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—One result of the present war may be the realization of the dream of centuries past, the setting up of Palestine as an independent Jewish state. Both England and Russia will favor the project, says the London Globe. England because a small neutral state in the Holy Land will be the best possible protection to Suez and Egypt. Russia because it will make the way easier for her to re-enter the Jewish problem within her own borders. Continuing the Globe says:

"The events of the moment show how immediately Jewish nationality is imperilled by the fact that a right of way through Palestine is open to a hostile Palestine must become either British or neutral. There is an obvious political objection to a British occupation. Neutrality is the more desirable solution."

"But if Palestine is to become neutral, who is to govern it? Directly that question is raised the claim of the Jews forces itself upon our attention. We have to deal with the remarkable fact that a people which lost its country over two thousand years ago will cherish the memory of that loss, and links the hope of recovery with its deepest religious instincts."

"Here then we have two influences at work for the reestablishment of a Jewish state—the British desire for a neutral Palestine, and the territorial instinct of the Jews themselves. There is a third influence. Russia has pledged herself to the reestablishment of an autonomous Poland under the czar. But in Poland, as we know it now, there is one obvious obstacle to the development of a Polish state strong in its national consciousness, and that is the presence of a large Jewish element. All who know Russian Poland will agree that a settlement of the Jewish question is essential to the complete success of the great scheme to which Russia is pledged, and will recognize that it is precisely to the Polish Jews that the reconstitution of the Jewish state would make the strongest appeal."

WARNS NAVAL VESSELS

IN SO DOING TRAWLER WAS BLOWN UP AND 6 WERE KILLED—UNABLE TO COLLECT

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A peculiar case was dealt in the district court in a claim brought under the war-time compensation act against the owners of the Grimsby trawler, Kilmarock, by John Risdale, chief engineer of the vessel.

The Kilmarock left Grimsby on Sept. 22, on a fishing expedition, sighted some floating mines and went in search of a warship to warn naval vessels of their danger. The Kilmarock struck mine and blew up. The skipper and five men were killed, and John Risdale was so injured as to be totally incapacitated.

It was used by the owners that Risdale could not recover compensation as his injuries were caused by the vessel striking the mine of an enemy at a time when the vessel, by diverting its course to act as a messenger to the navy, had ceased to follow its ordinary occupation. The court upheld the defendant's contention.

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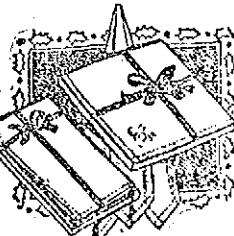
Women's 1-Clasp Mocha Silk Lined Gloves, in tan and gray; a good glove for winter wear, \$1.00, \$1.50 Pair
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Women's Handkerchiefs, 6 in a box, all linen, with initials, different styles to choose from. 1-2 dozen nicely boxed for.....75c
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Men's Handkerchiefs, 6 in a box, all linen, with initial, good quality, full size, 1-2 dozen in a box for.....75c
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News of Busy Village—New Parish House for St. Andrew's—Other Items of Interest

Who will be the next chief of police of the town of Billerica? This question is being discussed in the town at the present time and no less than a dozen names are being mentioned as candidates for the position. While the townspeople are logging their favorites, the three selectmen are quietly awaiting developments and have little to say on the matter of appointing a new police chief.

As far as can be learned no applications have been sent to the board of selectmen as yet. This would be an unexpected move, however, as the selectmen have no power in the appointment until a list of eligible candidates has been submitted to them by the civil service commission.

The commission has not been notified of the vacancy as yet, it seems, and in the meantime Roger Harrington is serving as a temporary successor to Deputy Sheriff Martin Conway. Chief Harrington will hold the office until after the New Year as the powers to be gone through will take up several weeks.

Among the candidates who will take the examinations are Charles Bradley, driver of the rural delivery mail wagon; Charles Keane, a wholesale beef dealer; Henry O'Brien, north superintendent; Edward O'Connor, employed at Talbot's mill and a special police officer; and John J. Mcweeney, proprietor of the Billerica Express company.

Boston & Maine Repair Shops

A change has been made in the running time of the Boston & Maine repair shops. The big work train now leaves this city at 7:30 o'clock in the morning arriving at the shops a few minutes before 8 when the day's work begins. The shops are in operation until 4 o'clock in the afternoon making an eight hour day. This schedule is in vogue five days a week, no work being done on Saturday except in cases of emergency.

St. Andrew's Parish House

The committee in charge of raising the fund for the new parish house of St. Andrew's church is still busy and it is reported that a large sum is already in hand. The parish house will undoubtedly be located near the North village instead of on the other side of the river where the church now stands. Building operations will be started in the spring and the house will be ready for occupancy before the end of the summer.

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FOUR ESCAPE BY SLIDE DOWN BLANKET ROPE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—Four prisoners in the Merrimack county jail here dared death yesterday afternoon, and in a most sensational manner escaped from the institution.

Cutting a hole through the center of a corridor during the temporary absence of the inmates, they climbed to an attic, thence to the roof, and slid 40 feet to the ground on a weak and shabby rope made of blankets.

Up to midnight all four were at large. Patrols of police of this and the surrounding cities and towns are scouring the countryside. It is feared the escaped men have secured weapons and will not submit to capture without putting up a desperate fight.

The escape of the men was made shortly before 5 o'clock. With 10 or 12 other prisoners they were exercising in a corridor of the jail—the part of the institution on the fourth floor, when one of them cut a hole in the wall about the size of a man's head, and the others followed.

"And say that don't wait to," he shouted, "just keep quiet and let the rest get away with it."

There was a ready acquaintance from the imprisoned men, and the

SIX BIG LIONS RUN WILD IN NEW YORK THEATRE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Six lions escaped from their cage on the stage of an East Twenty-sixth street vaudeville theatre yesterday and, bounding into the audience, consisting principally of women and children, caused a panic.

One lioness, Alice, the largest of the troupe, escaped into a crowded street. Half a dozen pursued her into the hallway of a nearby apartment house and in shooting at her one of them probably fatally wounded a comrade. Sergeant Daniel G. G.

Two other officers were slightly wounded by the claws of the beast in a battle at close range.

At sight of the lions, hundreds of persons in the theatre fled, screaming to the exits. The audience, by gathering up the lions, crowded into corners and places of supposed safety. Scores fainted, and many, numbed by the sight of the animals among them, sat transfixed in their seats.

With the exception of Alice, none of the beasts displayed great ferocity. A few persons who sat in their paths were scratched, but none of them was seriously hurt.

Five of the animals still were loose in the theatre when the last of the audience escaped. In their rush to safety spectators lost all kinds of wearing apparel and personal belongings. Then for an hour the beasts roamed over the house from gallery to basement.

But when they finally were rounded up in the lobby and driven into their shipping box none of them was injured.

Three arrests, charging criminal negligence, were made. These in custody are La Belle Andre, the lions' trainer; C. A. Turquist, their keeper, and George H. Hamilton, manager of the attraction. The lions were owned by Francis Perard, a showman, who had been exhibiting them at carnivals during the summer.

The animal act had been completed and a song and dance quartet held the stage in front of the first door when the lions escaped. They were about to be transferred from the steel exhibition cage to their shipping box at the time.

According to Turquist, they became excited, rushed out of the steel cage, and leaping their shipping box aside were free behind the scenes. Madame Andre screamed, Turquist grabbed a whip, cracked it loudly and shouted at the lions, and frightened actors and actresses and theatre attendants began clanking downstairs. One of the lions walked into the wings and peered at the quartet. The singing ceased abruptly.

Orchestra Kept on Playing

As the singers started to retreat into the wings, Detective Peter Cahill, who was in the audience, saw the lion and shouted to the entertainers to go on. One singer returned and began a solo. Suddenly a lion came into full view and all control of the audience was lost.

The orchestra, nevertheless, continued to play. The first lion ambled upon the stage, then a second and in a short while several of them were clambering into stage boxes and out into the audience. Still the orchestra kept playing, until several lions came right down into the pit. Then the musicians fled under the stage.

Almost everybody in the audience later had a different version of what the animal did after they got among the crowd, but nearly all agreed to agree that they did not live up to the dangerous name of the "King of Beasts." Edward J. Nitzburg said that for the time he grasped the situation a lion was so near him that he thought it had to sit still. He carried out this plan, and although the lion passed up and down the aisle near him six times he was unhurt.

One of the panics caused up with Mark D. Bennett while he was hurrying down an aisle, so he lay down. The animal clawed him on the head and his wound appeared to be the most dangerous that any of the beasts inflicted. He was taken to a hospital.

Rescued by Firemen

The last of the audience to leave the theatre were several women found crouched up in a second-floor dressing room. They panicked from fear of a nearby female lion, who roared their danger.

A throng was gathered outside the theatre, when Alice emerged and stood slowly across the street. One

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BOY IS RESCUED

Woman of 65 Plunged Into Icy Waters and Saved Lad

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 18.—A 65-year-old woman, Mrs. Josephine Rose, plunged into the waters of Webster's pond yesterday, smashing her way through the ice, to rescue Anthony Marks, aged 5, who had fallen into an air hole.

Mrs. Rose was alone in her house near the pond when she heard the child's screams. Undeterred by fear of the effect of such freezing cold on one of her years, she grabbed a long pole, and breaking the ice before her, waded in up to her waist.

From there she was able to reach the boy with the pole. He managed to hold on to it, and she dragged him out. Both woman and child were put to bed and given stimulants, and physicians said last night they would probably be home the next day.

Anthony was taking a short cut across the pond to do an errand when he fell in.

SAY WAR OVER IN EAST

GERMAN PAPERS CLAIM VICTORY IN POLAND, GREATEST EVER—PRAISE VON HINDENBURG

BERLIN, Dec. 18, via Amsterdam and London, Dec. 18, 12:15 a. m.—The *Frankfurter Zeitung*, commenting on the news of a German victory in Poland, says:

"Never since this old earth has had a history, has such a gigantic battle been fought. Scarcely in centuries has there been an event of such decisive importance. The battle of Poland will be classed in history among the victories of the first rank. It will be mentioned in the same breath with the battles of Salamis and Lepidus."

"We have to thank Von Hindenburg and the desperate courage of his troops who fought under the glorious banners of Germany and Austria."

The *Frankfurter Zeitung*, after eulogizing the bravery and tenacity of the troops, particularly the West Prussians and the *Landwehr*, proceeds:

"This victory, with the defeat of the Russians, is particularly significant because the Russians throw all their force into the sea in order to win a victory. From the most distant regions of the empire, Siberia and the Caucasus, the last reinforcements were brought in."

"Politically, the victory will have widespread importance, especially with the Balkan states. If one or the other of these states counted on the assistance of Russia, it will now recognize its vain hope."

"With this victory in the east Polish theatre, the campaign in the greater part decided."

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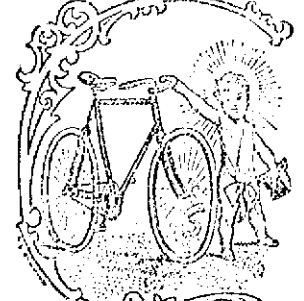
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CANAL EARNS \$1,000,000

ON NOV. 18 RECEIVED IN TOLLS PAID PASSED THIS MARK, SHOWING A PROGRESSING USE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The tolls on vessels making use of the Panama canal reached and passed the \$1,000,000 mark Nov. 18, representing dues collected from 257 vessels, of which 30 were on ballast on non-trade boats. The tolls, which began with \$1,610 prior to Aug. 15, when the canal was opened to traffic, reached \$2,122 for the month of October, showing a substantial and progressing increase.

The largest part of the tolls was made up of coast-bound trade. Between 1908 and 1913 the tolls on coast-bound trade amounted to more than \$100,000,000 of the total tonnage of 1,294,154.

CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH

MEMBERS OF CREW OF CRUISER EDEN HAD ESCAPED FROM COCOS ISLAND

TOKIO, Dec. 18.—Certain British warships have captured three members of the crew of the German cruiser *Eden* who escaped at Cocos island when the cruiser was destroyed Nov. 15 by the Australian cruiser *Southampton*.

The German sailors went to sea in a German schooner named *Ayala*. Four men of the *Eden* were captured on Cocos island when their vessel was sunk by the *Sydney*. Under the command of Lieut. Mueller, they commandeered a Chinese island schooner, loaded it with provisions and sailed away. A detachment from Manila said there in a letter, seized a cutter on which they brought two machine guns, evidently brought with them from the *Eden*, and began raiding commerce in the Pacific.

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TWO INQUESTS HELD BY JUDGE PICKMAN

Gives Findings on the Death of Christopher Toy and A. Caie—B. & M. Not Responsible

Two inquest findings were submitted by Judge John J. Pickman at the office of local police court this morning.

The first was on the death of Christopher Toy, aged 26 years, unmarried, whose body was found on the railroad tracks on the night of Sunday Nov. 15. The circumstances of the accident were described in detail and in conclusion he found "that the death of Christopher Toy was not caused by the criminal negligence of said Boston & Maine railroad, nor of its officers, agents or servants."

He found that Toy intended to ride in said train to Worcester, Mass., where he was employed, but he had no lawful right to jump thereon at the Braintree station, which was not a stopping station for the train, and that he had not the rights of a passenger on said train.

The second finding was on the death of a man designated as "A. Caie," whose home is said to be in Montreal, Canada, and whose dead body was found on the railroad tracks near the Middlesex street station on the morning of Tuesday, Nov. 17, death being caused by being run over by a freight train. His coroner found that the railroad was "not criminally negligent."

SHOPLIFTING IS CHARGED HEARING COMES BACK

MRS. LUDIA GOODWIN, AGED 50 YEARS, OF NEWBURYPORT, REGAINS FACULTY WHILE ASLEEP

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 18.—A remarkable recovery of hearing has occurred to Mrs. Lydia Goodwin of 55 Temple street, who for over six months had been unable to hear anything except through an ear trumpet or by one talking to her in a very loud voice.

Mrs. Goodwin a few days ago was sleeping on a couch at her home, and upon awakening she heard the sound of dogs barking from a neighboring house, and later heard an automobile go through the street, something she had been unable to hear for some time.

Mrs. Goodwin is about 50 years of age, and retaining her hearing at this time of her life has made her very happy, although she is at a loss to know how to account for it.

A good evening's rest makes a fine present. The *Thompson* Hardware Co. has a great assortment. See 16-17.

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Solid Gold Bangles	\$7.00 to \$35.00	Diamond Watches	\$25 to \$100	Ladies' Stone Rings	\$3 to \$15
Gents' Watches	\$5.00 to \$100.00	Diamond Bracelets	\$12 to \$100	Children's Gold Rings	\$1 to \$3

LATEST 1914 GOODS

Special—One lot of Ladies' Fine Solid Gold Watches. Regular prices \$25 to \$30. Your choice at only \$18.50

Special—Ladies' Fine Waltham Watches, 20 year guaranteed cases. Regular price \$20. Our special, only \$12.50

Fine Silver Plated Toilet Sets—Regular price \$10. Cut in \$6.90

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TWO HOLDUP MEN GET \$

DISCUSS EUROPEAN WAR WITH LONE TAILOR, THEN SUDDENLY WHIP OUT REVOLVER

RANDOLPH, Dec. 15.—Two men, one carrying a suitcase, entered the tailor shop of John Gilman about dusk yesterday afternoon and asked the proprietor if he had much work. Told he had no, they asked if he had any money. Then the conversation became general for about 15 minutes, touching upon the European war and other matters. Suddenly one of the men wore a soft hat, whipped out a revolver, pointed it at Gilman's face and ordered him to "deliver."

Gilman handed the man \$1. With a word the pair ran downstairs and boarded a passing car for Brockton.

Gilman had \$7 cents more which he threw down and ran. When, about an hour later he had recovered, he self-possession he told Chief of Police McGee about it, and the chief to the Brockton police.

The companion of the holdup man described as wearing a derby and the strangers as wearing dark-colored clothes.

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RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

Big Cuts in Army Engineering Board Appropriation Estimates in Bill as Reported in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Big cuts in army engineering board estimates for fiscal year 1916 are reported in the annual river and harbor appropriation bill as reported to the house today. The committee on river and harbor reported on the bill a total of \$20,000,000 from the army board's recommendations and brought in a measure appropriating \$14,155,500. No provision is made for new projects, the bill providing only for continuance of work already undertaken. The committee had been preparing the bill for several weeks and completed its work last night. Estimates had been submitted to the committee by the board of engineers calling for appropriations aggregating \$15,000,000. The measure cuts over \$10,000,000 more than last year's appropriation. Although a number of proposals designed to change the present system of making appropriations for waterway improvements had been suggested, including that of creating a commission to control all river and harbor expenditures, the committee took action on them. Chairman Sparks explained that no new legislation had been considered because the committee had worked under pressure to speed up the bill so as to assure completion of the legislative program before March 4.

The following are the New England items: Maine, Portland harbor, \$105,000; St. Croix river, \$20,000; Vermont, Narrows at Lake Champlain, \$20,000; Massachusetts, Newburyport harbor, \$10,000; Boston harbor, \$20,000; Pollock (Hingham) harbor, \$12,000; F. F. River harbor, \$12,000; Merrimack river, \$20,000; Rhode Island, Point Judith harbor of refuge, \$75,000; Pawtucket river, \$10,000; Connecticut, Branford harbor, \$10,000; New Haven harbor, \$10,000; Thomas river, \$11,000; Connecticut river below Hartford, \$20,000; Housatonic river, \$20,000. The \$100,000 for Boston harbor is for maintenance of existing improvements and has no connection with the proposed channel between Presidents Roads and the sea for which \$100,000 as an initial appropriation had been recommended by the engineers and eliminated from the bill. The bill carries \$24,155,500 for waterway improvements throughout the country, the estimates of the army engineers being reduced by nearly \$10,000,000.

All of the big improvement projects were included in the effort to reduce the appropriations. The bill gives the Mississippi river \$6,937,000 out of \$10,550,000 recommended; the Ohio \$5,550,000 out of \$9,851,000 recommended; the Hudson \$1,550,000 out of \$3,700,000 recommended; the Tennessee \$2,200,000 out of \$3,600,000 recommended; the Columbia \$1,550,000 out of \$2,500,000 recommended; the Missouri \$1,550,000 out of \$2,500,000 recommended.

LOCAL HUMANE SOCIETY

WAS MUCH WORK TO DO AMONG THE POOR—XMAS BASKETS TO BE SENT OUT

The office of the Lowell Humane society in the old Boston & Maine building is one of the busiest places in the city at the present time, the regular work of the society being greatly increased by the Yuletide season and the spirit of the past week. While the society is attempting to care for the poor in various parts of the city, the members are being led daily to relieve the suffering on the streets. A result of their masters neglecting to care for them, the Christmas spirit is now to provide Christmas gifts for the poor who are in need. The Lowell Humane society has presented Agent Richardson the sum of \$150 to be spent on Christmas baskets and the purchases of which this amount will bring joy to many homes. No basket is sent out unless the articles are selected by the party receiving it is thoroughly deserving. In case a sharp investigation is made where false statements have been made the name is crossed from the list. Richardson claims that the demand upon the society at the present time is greater than for many seasons past. In many homes where husbands

NEW TRADE COMMISSION

PRES. WILSON MAKES COMMON-SENSE THE CHIEF QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson has let it be known that he has made common-sense the chief qualification of the five members he is to nominate as the new trade commission within the next two weeks. He does not desire theorists for the commission but men who will be able to intelligently deal with business conditions in the United States. Politics, it is said, will not govern the make-up of the board, although at least one republican probably will be named. Among the numerous men whose names are under consideration are Joseph B. Bailey, commissioner of corporations, A. C. Thurman, solicitor of the commerce department, E. N. Hurley, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' association, John E. Richardson of Tennessee, Thomas Parker of Georgia, George B. H. of New Hampshire, Samuel Rogers of North Carolina, Prof. Henry J. Waters of Kansas, E. A. Kravitch of Missouri and W. B. Westlake of Indiana.

TALES OF THE SEA

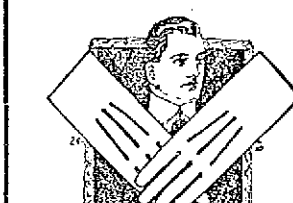
Jas. B. Connolly Speaks Before Fourth Degree K. of C. Men

James B. Connolly, the famous athlete and writer of sea stories, who recently won a \$500 prize in a contest conducted by Collier's, in which Theodore Roosevelt was one of the judges, gave a brief but pithy address last evening before the members of the Fourth degree, Bishop Delaney assembly, Knights of Columbus, at the club rooms, Anna street. So full of sea stories was his talk, so graphic with thrilling incident, so filled with the atmosphere of the sea and all relating to it, that it was in the light of personal experience, that it was easy for the imaginative to call up pictures of tiny dories manned by brave Gloucester fellows pitching and tumbling in the great waves of the banks, to see the ice-coated spars and to hear the slaty wind that often brings sorrow to the lonely homes of Gloucester and Newfoundland. Mr. Connolly's talk was not of a formal nature, but was for the most part an intimate relation of unique experiences such as one would like to hear over a winter fire when the winds whistle outside.

In opening, Mr. Connolly described the old methods of fishing from the deck when each fisherman watched two long lines and kept an account of the catch, being paid according to the returns. Next the fishing is done on the cooperative plan, each starting equally in the entire catch. Though the life at present is surrounded with terrible dangers, it was far more dangerous in the old days, for when the fishing smacks were anchored in shoal water there was little chance for escape, if a gale arose. It is on record that out of collisions on the banks in heavy weather, only one boat came ashore. Often one night's storm brought death and destruction to thousands. During the famous "black night" on the grand banks, 275 lost their lives from Gloucester alone. Under the present system the skipper of the schooner has charge of the dories, ordering them out and recalling them by a signal, usually a light on the mast. Each dory is manned by two men and has from one tub to four tubs of trawls, generally with 500 hooks to a trawl, arranged at definite distances. Almost any man can handle a trawl, but it takes an experienced man to haul it properly, making the dory help in the process. Mr. Connolly in the course of his talk frequently asserted his belief that for skill and daring the dory men lead the world in all relating to sea life. Not only must a doryman watch the trawls but he must keep his eye on the waves, timing them and pulling with an ear to keep his little shell from being swept under. Such an accident usually means death to him, for the most part the fishermen cannot swim a stroke. The average doryman, he said, takes more chances than the average soldier now at the front.

The anecdotes and personal experiences told by Mr. Connolly were probably the most interesting part of the lecture. He said that most people have no idea of the sufferings and heroism back of those newspaper tales of exposure in an open boat for two, five or eleven days and to illustrate told of Blackburn, the man who has crossed the Atlantic so many times in small boats, but whose first experience came subsequent. Blackburn went ashore with his dory in February, 1883, to fish, S. W. of Cape Race. The wind blew north-easterly—the coldest wind on the Atlantic. After a while Blackburn's dory could row no more and in spite of all encouragement he went to the stern and gave up. Blackburn talked to him until there was no answer. They had come ashore on Tuesday night. Thursday night it blew a blizzard. Blackburn, realizing that he could not save his hands curled his fingers around the oars until they were frozen and then started to row ashore, with the sudden incentive of providing for his family. He finally got ashore but lost his fingers and toes. If asked about his first experience, Blackburn will relate the humorous side. He tells how once when he was getting ready to cross the Atlantic two ladies came to him and presented him with a party gift. One was a half dozen bottles of cologne and the other was a half dozen pretty linen handkerchiefs. Mr. Connolly also told of Jack Mason, Jimmie Allen, Frankie, Matt-down-Joe, and many other characters famous in the annals of the fishers, many of whom are close friends of the lecturer. He told eloquently of their bravery, of which they seem utterly unconscious, taking it as a matter of course. He tributed their skill to their wonderful sense of touch and primitive intelligence. They don't pose as heroes. Once Mr. Connolly noted how the crew of the Marcella presented Capt. Fitcher a leaving cup and a set of resolutions for bringing the Commander through the storms of the banks. He had just read the account in the New York Sun and Billy Thomas, Billy had weathered the same gale, but in a fishing smack. When asked about it he admitted that it blew pretty stiff but was nothing much. When Connolly told Billy about the presentation to the Marcella captain, the fisherman was in a delicious mood. "Unit yer kindness," said the same man, "I found the lecture in the newspaper and the plains the man that is heroes but wholly unconscious of their worth."

One of the most amusing incidents was that of the man who left the sea, having to Connolly about the superior advantages of a full life and the home circle every evening. In a month he was back on the sea again, when confronted with him he said he could not bear the bells calling him to work, and wound up with: "You should see the man I had to take orders from if we had him here we wouldn't cut him up for talk." The outlook of these men on their life is summed up by Mr. Connolly: "You're pretty tough but thank God the fisher's gone."



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Gloves, unlined, wool lined, fur lined, \$1.15, \$1.50 up to \$5
Hosiery, hile or silk, 25c, 50c
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ORDER OF OWLS

Observed Fifth Anniversary Last Evening—Officers Elected

The new Elks hall was taxed to its capacity last evening by a large and enthusiastic gathering of Owls, the occasion being the fifth anniversary of the formation of Lowell Nest, No. 1255. The annual election of officers of the nest was also held and these facts brought together the largest assembly that has been recorded in the history of the organization.

A feature of the anniversary was the reading of a congratulatory letter from Supreme President Joseph W. Talbot, and this was received with great interest. The supreme officer highly praised the officers and committees of Lowell nest, both past and present, and predicted that Lowell would soon be the great center of owlism for the New England states, it already having far outdistanced every nest in membership and in work accomplished during its five years of existence.

Lowell nest, Order of Owls, was instituted on Dec. 13, 1909, and will be five years old tomorrow, but as the regular meeting was held last evening, the anniversary was fittingly observed at that time. Addresses on the work of the nest were made by the following: officers and past officers: Treasurer John A. Bailey, Past President Edward M. Bowser, Thomas H. Bowser, chairman of the board of auditors, W. W. Murphy, chairman of the board of trustees, Past President J. W. Bowser, Charles W. Richards, President J. E. MacCallum, Vice President B. J. Flynn, Secretaries J. H. Rogers and J. J. Hartnett and several of the older members of the nest.

After a large amount of important business had been transacted the secretary read a long list of candidates for membership, which reflected credit upon the work of the several committees on membership. The election of officers resulted as follows: President,

J. E. MacCallum; vice president, D. A. Hartnett; warden, J. P. McManus; invocator, W. H. Moynan; recording secretary, J. J. Hartnett; financial secretary, J. H. Rogers; treasurer, John A. Bailey; trustees for three years, Past President Edward M. Bowser; physicians, Dr. Harold B. Plunkett and Dr. G. E. Cassie; picket, Thomas H. Bowser; sentinel, Seaford J. Patnaude.

A delightful concert followed the election, each number on the program being given by a member of the nest. The next meeting of the nest will be held on the first Thursday in January, when the officers' reports will be read. The installation ceremony will also take place at that time.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 18.—Mexico now has three varieties of fiat paper currency as well as three opposing governments. The new revolutionary movement headed by General Jose Salazar, which recently was launched in central Chihuahua state today placed in circulation its currency. The money, which was printed in the United States bears the signature of the former Huerta commander and the motto "Peace and justice."

Salazar's troops at Sabinal on the Mexican Northwestern railroad this week held up a train bearing a Villa paymaster and confiscated 200,000 pesos in Villa paper money. The money was being sent to pay the Villa soldiers at Casas Grandes.

Salazar's troops recently received a large shipment of ammunition purchased by their agents in the United States.

Villa troops have made no advance against the independent leader.

Traffic has been restored between Juarez and Torreon on the Mexican Central railway but below the latter point is reported as interrupted by the burning of several bridges by the Carranza troops who are being engaged by the Villa forces east of Torreon.

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ing building new homes, or buying property in the spring the real estate page tomorrow will be of special interest. It is not too early to look ahead in the matter of purchasing property. Prospective buyers and builders will find on this page a valuable directory of real estate men and contractors.

The spellbinder will discuss municipal and political matters of timely interest.

Everybody reads "They Do Say" every Saturday to the Sun. Many of these bright pointed little paragraphs will be printed tomorrow.

"Give your nerves a rest," advises the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot," which will appear tomorrow. This advice will be helpful to many tired, worn-out people.

How to make dainty boudoir slippers will be described in "What the French Maid Said." A pair of such slippers, made according to the directions of "Marie" will make a most acceptable gift.

Read "The Kitchen's Trip" to the kitchen. It is a "Sleepytime Tale" that will please them and will appear in tomorrow's Sun.

Mrs. Ray's low cost menus for the entire week will be another feature tomorrow.

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TOWN OF DRACUT NEWS

Com. Carmichael Promises Fire Protection--Navy Yard People Favor Annexation

As a result of a conference between the commissioner of water and fire of this city and a committee from the town of Dracut, the city of Lowell will hereafter give the neighboring town fire protection without cost, for the commissioner claims it would be illegal for the city to accept any money from Dracut.

At the last town meeting of Dracut it was voted to ask the city of Lowell to protect the Dracut property in case of fire and the selectmen were authorized to enter upon some contract with the city in that respect, the sum of \$300 being appropriated for that purpose. A committee consisting of Chairman Fred A. Pollard, Selectmen Percy A. Smith, Victor Chitt and James J. McManmon and Town Counsel Warren W. Fox were appointed and on several occasions they have tried to get in touch with Commissioner James H. Carmichael of this city, but their efforts have always been useless, until last Tuesday when the men came together at city hall.

The committee from Dracut explained their mission to the commissioner and they said they were authorized to enter upon some contract with the city of Lowell for fire protection and informed him \$500 had been voted for that purpose. Mr. Carmichael informed his visitors it would be illegal to enter upon such a contract and assured them the fire department of Lowell would respond to all calls coming from Dracut without any compensation, so long as he would be in office as commissioner of water and fire. He stated, however, the department would not respond in extremely dangerous times when in the judgment of the chief it would not be safe to weaken the local department. He said the city cannot accept any pay, but if the town feels disposed to make donations to the firemen's relief association, it may do so. He concluded by giving his word of honor that Dracut will be protected in case of fire by the Lowell

were annexed to Lowell it is safe to say that the employees of both mills would remove to Dracut. It would be an easy matter to extend the water mains in Lakeview avenue and Memorial road and not difficult to provide the districts with sewerage. That is practically all we would ask for years, for our streets are in good condition and no other improvements would be needed.

To the Kenwood district the citizens are chafed over the result of the meeting and the committee appointed to look into the matter will get together sometime after the holidays and it is hoped the matter will be hurried along. Some of those who were opposed to annexation, it is said, have seen the light and now favor the movement.

Business Rushing

It was reported today that another large order for blankets had been received by the officials of the Beaver Brook mill at Collinsville from a foreign country and as a result all departments were started on full time. The weekly sale of the company is also running full time, and it is believed the 500 or more employees of both plants will be kept busy about three months on this large order.

Town Library

The trustees of the town library in the Centre village have purchased a very useful piece of display furniture, which is expected to arrive soon. This will be utilized to hold photographs of old homes and other interesting places of Dracut and will mean the preservation of these relics. Silas E. Colburn of the Navy Yard, one of the trustees of the library, is deeply interested and he was mainly responsible for the purchase of this new piece of furniture.

Interesting Lecture

Rev. Ernest C. Bartlett, pastor of the Yellow Meeting house and one of the most popular residents of the Centre village, was a guest of the Men's club of the Grace Universalist church in this city last night. The reverend gentleman gave a very interesting talk on "Ireland and Scotland," giving a vivid description of these two countries as he saw them a few years ago. His remarks were listened to with great interest for Rev. Mr. Bartlett is a fluent speaker and his knowledge of his subject made it an easy task for him to interest his listeners. The lecture was illustrated with beautiful slides and proved one of the best ever given before this popular organization. At the close of the evening the speaker was extended a vote of thanks.

Public Schools

The public schools in the town closed this afternoon for the holidays and will reopen on the Monday following Christmas. Appropriate exercises were held in each class. The children were highly entertained by the teachers and they were also the recipients of goodies and valuable gifts.

Good Fishing

Three residents of the town, prominent in sporting circles, went fishing Monday and they reported a fairly good catch. The men were equipped with all the paraphernalia needed for fishing through the ice and ventured on the waters of Long pond and spent the afternoon in pulling in pickerel. Despite the fact that the men were fishing with leads for the ice was no more than a half inch in thickness, no accident occurred and in the evening when they returned they carried with them 10 large pickerel.

Miscellaneous

The committee in charge of the recent fair conducted under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor society of the Centre church reported to the organization and the report was very favorable. It was stated that the attendance and receipts this year greatly exceeded that of precedent years and the committee was discharged with thanks.

Chester Peckham is building a new garage in Bridge street, Centre village. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fox of Bridge street have returned from a week's stay at Warner, N. H.

C. C. Coffin has purchased a large tract of land in Bridge street from Warren W. Fox and in the spring will build a home.

Miss Anna Hague of Pleasant street slipped on the ice near her home and received a bad cut on the knee. Her injury will keep her confined to her home for some time.

Charles Hayes, U. S. N., is enjoying a furlough at his home in the Navy Yard.

James J. McManmon is building a barn on his property known as the Kelly farm and located on Methuen street.

A two-story house is being constructed by a Polish family near the Kenwood school.

Mr. J. Polson is building a cottage on his land near McManmon's greenhouses.

HIGHLAND CLUB

Two Interesting Games Rolled Among Members Last Night

There was plenty of excitement last night on the Highland club alleys when Team Eight met Team Three and Team Six backed up against Team One. The majority of the club members flocked down stairs to the alleys while the contests were on.

Team Eight showed far different form last night than they did on their first appearance a week ago and took all four points from Team Three. Although all of the strings were close on the first few boxes Team Eight finished strong and romped home an easy winner.

In the other match a new single string record was made by Brails and his teammate, Turner, put up the highest total of the evening. The totals are as follows:

TEAM SIX--Crockett, 262; Culver, 243; Foster, 230; Edin, 275; Thurber, 287. Totals 1299.

TEAM ONE--Moody, 262; Emmott, 216; Strauss, 240; Woodworth, 244; Walmsley, 252. Totals 1213.

TEAM EIGHT--Woodward, C. 244; Clark, 216; Woodward, E. 253; Dodge, 257; Wing, 243. Totals 1243.

TEAM THREE--Dickerman, 230; Marlow, 236; Ryan, 247; Burkshaw, 236; Bassett, 239. Totals 1182.

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 - 20 dozen New Mercerized Cotton Petticoats, value \$1.50. Brown, green, navy and black.....98c
 - Kimono.....98c to \$7.50
 - Sweaters.....\$1.98 and \$2.98
- Reduced from \$5.00.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

From the social standpoint the reception tendered by the college club to Miss Webster last Tuesday evening was one of the most charming events ever held in the noted art centre. Many generations of pupils of Miss Webster were represented in the gathering, but it is doubtful if even the graduates of last year displayed more youthfulness of spirit than the women they honored.

Owing to the success of the musicale conducted last Tuesday afternoon by the Molly Varnum chapter, D. A. R., at the Spaulding house, under the direction of Mrs. Charles M. Williams, it is planned to hold a similar meeting in the near future. The roster of speakers is also complete for the coming series of lectures.

A very charming auction bridge party was conducted Wednesday afternoon by the women of the Highland club, during which tea was served. First prize was won by Mrs. Walter Emmett and the second prize was won by Mrs. John Daugherty. Plans for another winter tea were under way.

The coming-out party given by Mrs. E. S. Ryan Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Leslie Hyman was a brilliant social event, attended by most of the young people of the town. The affair was given in the Colonial hall.

The various societies and societies connected with the Immaculate Conception church have donated fancy work in light of the charity sale which is being conducted at the present time in the rooms of the Y. M. C. I. The societies having tables are: The Immaculate Conception society, the Holy Rosary society, Third order of St. Francis and Children of Mary, senior and junior branches.

The Thursday whist club met yesterday afternoon at the home of Dr. Whist was enjoyed, followed by a musicale. Refreshments were served by Mrs. McManmon, hostess of the occasion. That and Mrs. E. Kerwin, respectively.

Cards are out for the third wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Buchanan, to be formally observed at their residence, 15 Washington St., Sunday, Dec. 20, at 7.30.

A delightful whist party was conducted last evening at St. Columba's parish hall in aid of the church, presided over by Miss Grace Delaney, aided by an energetic committee. Following the whist there was a musicale of high merit.

Plans are well under way for the dancing party to be held in the armory on January 4, under the auspices of the 6888 Central Postal Directory. The lecture at the rooms of the Middlesex Women's club this afternoon by Harry Hubbard, who will give an "Opera Talk" illustrated by Mr. Lloyd M. Baxter, pianist. The subject is "The History of Opera." Mr. Hubbard will give the next talk in his series.

There will be a cake sale tomorrow afternoon and evening at the Y. M. C. I. rooms in aid of the Christmas charity. Third order of St. Francis and Children of the Immaculate Conception.

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For afternoon wear, for street and evening wear, 60 Costumes, selling to \$25, at \$8.98 and \$12.98

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- All kinds of Wool Gloves and Mittens...25c to \$1.00

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- Club Bags, double or single handles, cowhide, leather lined, stayed corners, black and tan. \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00
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Talbot's

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Cathalan, who has led the Chicago Americans three seasons.

Cathalan will be appointed to some position connected with the business affairs of the club, it was announced with the idea that eventually he will be able to shoulder some of the duties now falling to Owner Coniskey.

The disposition of "Kid" Gleason, coach and adviser to Cathalan, was not given out, but it was rumored he might be appointed manager of the New York Americans.

The shift in management, with the appointment of Eddie Collins as captain in place of "Beck" Weaver, indicated a change in the field policy of the White Sox.

Rowland was born in Mattesville, Wis., and is 33 years old. His contract as Sox manager is for one year, and the salary was not announced.

LEAGUES AT WORK

Bowlers Spend Another Busy Night on the Alleys

Thursday night, as usual, was a busy one on all of the alleys and the pin experts were out in force.

In the Concord league a new team single string record was made by the Columbian. This quintet rolled 323 for their second string. The Columbian defeated Cullen's Pets by over a hundred sticks.

The Mercantile league staged three matches, Con Henry's Waldorf Lunch team winning seven out of eight possible points by rolling two games, one against the Bowler Shoe Co. and the other against the Lowell Co-Operative.

In the Minor league the Braves took three points from the Matthews. In the V. M. C. A. league 428 sticks were rolled by the Bowler Shoe Co. and the other against the Lowell Co-Operative.

The Crescents-Jewett, 200; Concession, 207; Johnson, 211; Lebrun, 267; Kelley, 182; total, 1267.

ALL STARS—Whalen, 217; Buckley, 211; Lane, 209; O'Brien, 211; McDermon, 201; total, 1350.

MANAGER OF WHITE SOX

CLARENCE H. ROWLAND LEAPS FROM PEORIA OBLIVION INTO BIG LEAGUE

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—To the complete surprise of baseball players, press and public, Clarence Henry Rowland, last year pilot of a team in a Class B circuit, yesterday was named manager of the Chicago American league club, conceded to be a pennant contender in 1915. Many Chicago baseball followers had never heard of Rowland, but in professional ball circles he was well known as a successful manager of minor league clubs.

The new leader left the ranks of players for his first manager's position at Aberdeen, Wash., in 1908. Thence he went to Jacksonville, Fla., and from there to Dubuque, Ia., where he was part owner and manager of the Dubuque Three I league club. Last season he managed the Peoria team in the Three I league, taking it from last place to second.

Rowland will assume his new duties soon. His arrival will be the signal for the retirement of James J.

WALDORE LUNCH—C. O'Leary, 274; Rowland, 278; total, 1371.

LOWELL CO-OPERATIVE—M. 257; Dillon, 218; Davies, 265; Nichols, 201; Spillane, 271; total, 1298.

KINGSLEY & Co.—Brown, 249; Hagan, 214; Leary, 270; Boyd, 243; Dermott, 275; total, 1306.

BOULDER STONE CO.—Dewar, 211; Ryan, 215; McMan, 231; Preston, 215; Davis, 230; total, 1297.

WALDORE LUNCH—O'Leary, 274; Martin, 255; Long, 265; Pope, 258; total, 1252.

BRAYNES—Keeffe, 279; Guthrie, Carney, 250; Hosmer, 276; McDonald, totals 1115.

MATTHEWS—Casey, 274; Powers, 252; Cunningham, 214; Sheel, 212; totals 1250.

COLUMBIANS—Murphy, 318; O'Neil, 251; Shively, 250; T. Doyle, 214; Dunn, 278; totals 1161.

CHALLENGERS—Duffy—Reynolds, Reark, 243; Burns, 209; Clancy, 250; Kane, 272; totals 1314.

HAMILTON—Smith, 245; Morris, 265; Mohr, 252; Doty, 253; Paul, totals 1314.

MERRIMACKS—Hebin, 262; Armstrong, 256; McNeil, 257; Sweeney, 210; Fenton, 270; totals 1345.

EAGLES—Murphy, 267; McGuire, 210; Mahon, 251; McSherry, 251; J. McNeil, 216; totals 1192.

BRIDGE—Lumpert, 275; T. Aikin, 254; Shaggy, 277; T. Smith, 251; G. Kinsol, 257; totals 1262.

SOPHOMORES—Honey, 231; Cubbe, 226; Spurgeon, 225; Wood, 212; Fu, 215; totals 1139.

DEARIE—NIX—Fawcett, 222; Gosdal, 186; Rich, 211; Lane, 255; Smith, 215; totals 1123.

SENIORS—Killy, 232; Hall, 253; Stinson, 235; Goodell, 235; Adelt, 215; total, 1270.

FRESHMEN—Sydenham, 218; Morris, 233; Evans, 211; Jones, 237; Macdon, 211; totals 1133.

SIoux—Gump, 265; Marshall, Deed, 236; R. Johnson, 231; R. Smith, 215; totals 1247.

CHEROKEES—Conlin, 237; Frost, 236; Clisburn, 258; Orborn, 237; Wardman, 215; totals 1310.

WANNAMAKERS—Peters, 251; Stead, 235; Goodwin, 260; Cathalan, 232; Williams, 211; totals 1390.

PAWTLUCKETS—Atkinson, Knight, 218; Proctor, 255; Smith, 255; total, 252; totals 1310.

THE SUN IS ON SALE AT THE NORTH-STATION BOSTON

A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"A fight with two ounce gloves for a purse of \$200 is reported to have taken place Tuesday morning in a barn near Nashua, on the Lowell road between Joseph Flaherty, of Lowell and John Decelle of Nashua. Decelle won in 10 rounds."

The Flaherty brothers, Tom, Joe and Martin were celebrated boxers in their day. Martin achieved a national reputation. Tom and Joe have both passed away but Martin is very much alive and is engaged in the laudable business of keeping other men alive, for he is the "Elly" Muldoon, of Lowell, though far more accommodating than Muldoon, for it is necessary to journey out to White Plains, N. Y. to be treated by Muldoon while Martin treats his patients at home. Upon retiring from the prize ring Martin Flaherty took up the study of the theoretical side of physical culture and osteopathy, having had years of experience with the practical end of it and at present is busily engaged in that line of work and to many is known as "Elly" Flaherty. Columns could be written about Martin's career in the ring and later I'll relate a few incidents of the days when as a sporting editor I followed Martin around the ring. But just now let me tell you of how Martin and Joe slipped one over on the city marshal and the sports of Nashua, long ago. It was almost 25 years ago, Joe had been boxing in the vicinity of Lowell and was well known while Martin had just returned from the west and was a comparative stranger to the up-country sports.

"Joe" was advertised to box one Dan McGivern of East Boston, at the Nashua Opera house, a barn-like hall over the depot in Main street, on a Thanksgiving afternoon. The match was to be of 15 rounds for the gate receipts. On the morning of the holiday Joe received word that McGivern would not make his appearance. The bout had been well-advertised in the up-country city and it seemed a shame to lose money on it. Then it was decided that Martin and Joe appear and to a friendly sparring match, and they certainly could do a great fake boxing stunt. But one of the real-wise advisers said: "Say, Martin, nobody knows you in Nashua. You go up there as McGivern and fake it with Joe. Of course it will be a draw and nobody will lose anything by letting and the bunch up here won't know the difference." Thus it was decided and each accompanied by a bunch of Lowell sports went to Nashua by different routes and introduced themselves about town for a couple of hours preceding the time for the bout. When they appeared in the ring they immediately started a fake struggle about the weight but finally agreed to go at it, after calling each other put names. They sat in their corners glaring at each other like two strange bull-dogs, and the late City Marshal Eaton, who was at the ring, after staring them up remarked: "I think there's bad blood between these two fellows, but if they start

anything rough, I'll stop the bout; that's all there is to it."

The referee was a Lowell man who, of course, was in on the deception.

When the time came to start the bout, the referee cried out: "Shake hands."

"Shake, nothing," growled Martin. "Not on your life," said Joe.

"Up jumped the city marshal and he said: 'You fellows shake hands, or you don't box.'"

Slowly approaching the centre of the ring with their heads averted, the brothers grudgingly extended their gloved hands, until the tips touched and that was the hand-shake. Then they started, and talk about a corking fake; they roughed it until the Nashua bunch were yelling "foul" like a bunch of madmen.

In response to each cry of "foul" the referee calmly remarked: "That foul was unintentional and didn't jeopardize the other man's chances." Then he'd admonish the offender against repeating the infraction of the rules.

At the conclusion of the third round they kept on bawling away at each other after "time" had been called, and the city marshal was half-way over the ropes before they were taken to their corners. It went along until the seventh round, one of the best "scraps" ever seen in Nashua and in the seventh the marshal thought it was getting too rough and he decided to stop it. One of the Lowell men sitting beside him said: "Sit down, they're only fooling; they're two brothers."

The city marshal felt deeply insulted to think that anyone would take him for such a rube as to believe that the two men apparently trying to knock each other's heads off were brothers, and he jumped into the ring and stopped the bout while the referee declared all bets off on account of police interference.

The Nashua sports unanimously declared it to be the best fight they had ever seen and the city marshal declared that if anyone named Flaherty or McGivern attempted to pull off another bout in his domain they'd wind up in the cooler.

After the crowd had departed Martin and Joe presented themselves before the city marshal and smilingly allowed that they slept in the same bed. For a moment the marshal was inclined to resent the deception practised upon him but then he grinned and remarked: "Well, you're the best pair of fakirs I ever looked at."

Fire Department Appointments

In its report of the meeting of the board of aldermen of 25 years ago the current week, the old Sun had the following:

"Henry W. Burton was appointed and unanimously confirmed as an assistant engineer of the fire department."

"Frank E. Collins was appointed a permanent member of the fire department. Henry Conlan was appointed a driver. Joseph Bamford and Llew-

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BY GWEN SEARS

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GERMANY'S NAVAL DASH

In spite of the attempt of the British admiralty to minimize the significance of the German bombardment of Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby, it will be regarded by the entire world as one of the momentous incidents of the war, and in all probability it will have an effect in shaping the future naval and military policy of England. It is out of the question that Germany should have planned and executed such a daring feat without some ulterior end in view, as the actual results were too slight to justify the risk. Germany must have known that the bombardment would stimulate English recruiting, and it is but natural, therefore, to assume that Germany expects some result which shall overbalance the renewed English naval vigilance and increased enthusiasm, shown by the flocking of hundreds of young men to the recruiting stations.

There is every reason to suppose that Germany's main end was to create some lack of confidence in the minds of the people of England who have been led to believe that England is mistress of the seas and that no foreign foe could come near enough to offer her violence. Should this lack of confidence be generated by the German attack, the English masses would in all probability demand that more of their soldiers be kept at home for the protection of their own country instead of being sent to the continent to aid the armies of France and Belgium. As England has relied almost entirely on her navy for national defence, comparatively few soldiers have been kept at home, so that, to strengthen the land defences, troops would have to be withdrawn from the continent. As seen by Germany, therefore, it is very probable that it had the battlefields of Flanders in mind when it sent its fast cruisers to shell the coast of England.

Again, the German attack may have an effect in changing the naval policy of England—a policy, by the way, which has been attacked by some strong British interests at several times during the war. Unless greater protection is given the coast towns and cities—and those along the east coast call for the greatest degree of protection—a strong feeling of apprehension will be generated throughout the entire country. With the proper weather conditions there seems to be no reason why Germany cannot at will repeat the success of Wednesday, a fact which will keep the coast people of England in terrible suspense until the admiralty reassures the English people of their readiness for future emergencies of the kind. Surely England will not take kindly to the statement that the naval policy will not be changed while there is a possibility of a German fleet coming from Kiel through mined seas and under the noses of English fleet and fort guns to throw death and destruction into English coast cities.

From the English point of view it is very well to assume that the bombardment by the German cruisers will stimulate English recruiting, but this looks rather like a laborious searching for the silver lining. Far better that recruiting should be boosted in some other way.

This sortie by the German fleet will serve as a warning to England to be prepared for other attacks of a similar kind at widely distant points. The German ships evidently made good use of their spies in selecting the most vulnerable points on the coast of England. They had the pathway cleared of mines for this special dash across the North sea while the British ships dare scarcely move lest they be blown to atoms by mines. Germany's game has worked in her favor thus far, but as the German onslaught in the Pacific was followed by swift retribution, we venture the prediction that similar retribution will follow in this case and that despite German strategy and German courage the German fleet will soon receive a staggering blow from their British rivals. It takes some time to stir the blood of the Briton, but when he becomes thoroughly aroused he is a personage of dogged disposition and wonderful resource. There will be a sequel to the bombardment sortie that will fully vindicate the honor and efficiency of the British navy.

PENROSE FOR PRESIDENT

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania is definitely in the race for president in 1916 so that President Wilson and all the other candidates may have to step aside. The name of Penrose is widely known and favorably known throughout the country in connection with the corrupt republican machine of Pennsylvania and his presidential boom is launched by no less a paper than the Blairsville Courier, which for influence, prestige, political presence and journalistic probity will stand as a rival to the Bangtown Banner, the Free-town Times, the Blunkville Eagle or the Clappertown Gazette. Blairsville has a population of 6,000 and sends the Blairsville Courier being the leading paper of the town, must have a guaranteed circulation of over 300. The privilege of giving the prime impetus to the boom for a presidential candidate was certainly a red letter event for the Courier and it is duly proclaimed in flaming letters on the front page of that distinguished organ. That must certainly give Mr. Penrose a great boost. It is the first run of the Penrose campaign and the echo is more resounding than that of the 42 centimeter siege guns of the German army. The Courier recounts the political triumphs of Senator Penrose, the evils of democratic rule and the need of putting up a sky-high tariff wall to keep out foreign goods. This clarion voice from the home of political corruption fails to note the fact that at the present time there is no foreign competition. The republican theory of keeping out imports and of having the home-market all to ourselves is having the most complete application ever given it. We see the result and yet Senator Penrose, who doubtless wrote the article in the Blairsville Courier, says that the sole trouble with the country today is democratic rule and the low tariff. Senator Penrose would rehabilitate the old republican party, restore the tariff and the high tariff that sheltered them. Then the brand of politics that prevails in Pennsylvania would bloom again and be extended all over the country under the benign influence of President Penrose and his efficient organ, the Blairsville Courier, guaranteed circulation over 300.

THE LITERACY TEST

It is well that, in anticipation of a great influx of immigrants from Europe after the war, this country should seek to regulate the inflow so as to safeguard American industrial and social institutions, but as on former occasions, the wrong method is being pursued by those who are agitating the bill containing the much discussed literacy test clause. Twice

times, the chronic loafer, but let us have the strong and willing worker, whether he can read or not.

OUR NAVAL SHORTAGE

The testimony brought out by the House naval committee in Washington, thus far, in the course of the present inquiry into our naval affairs, reveals two prominent facts, viz: that the administration has never sought to conceal any activity or effects of inactivity in the conduct of the navy, and secondly, that we are by no means in first class condition. Taken together, these facts prove that we must look further than the present regime to find the source of the trouble and that we must improve our equipment unless we are to retrogress. The inquiry also proves that political agitations on such subjects are as unnecessary as they would be injurious.

One of the most surprising admissions is that made by Asst. Secretary Roosevelt that we are "from 30,000 to 50,000 men short of the needs of the navy, as laid down in the confidential war plans of the war college." Judging from the published policies of Secretary Daniels since he assumed the secretaryship of the navy, everything possible has been done, consistent with efficiency, to make the life more attractive for our young men. Yet, the navy is short of men while in all our cities hundreds of boys either loaf idly or work under far more disagreeable conditions and for less wages. In the navy of the present, a young man may, if he be ambitious, prepare for a prosperous future by applying himself to one of the trade courses, and the government does everything in reason to make his life pleasant and liveable. Still, there is no need for alarm as the "preparedness" issue does not apply to this country with the same force as to the powers which are now at war. The government should remedy the apparent defects, but sanely and without indulging popular passion.

BLEASE'S RECORD

While the agitation concerning pardons is in the air it will not do to overlook the unprecedented pardoning record made by Governor Blease of South Carolina, who, during the past three years, has pardoned 1,120 criminals and who now announces that on Christmas day he will set free the last 50 remaining in the penitentiary. The people of South Carolina may or may not be exceptionally pliant, but it is questionable if they will look with approbation at the wholesale turning loose of murderers, thieves, and every form of criminal on the community, to grace a governor's holiday. Still, they cannot consistently blame anybody but themselves, for Blease is governor by popular choice and when popular choice runs mad, what can we expect? Luckily even the radical element of a state that does not show up in an enviable light has tired of the amazing official who is about to retire to private life. But, in opening the modern Bastille what horrors may be not pile up for South Carolina for the next few years? Some things are form.

SEEN AND HEARD

Shell Oats is a farmer at Danville, Ky. What of it?

Opportunity isn't as insistent as the other knockers.

The quickest way to go broke is to try to get rich quick.

A barrel of potatoes will do a poor family more good than ten barrels of sermons on charity.

YOUNG CHICKENS ARE JEALOUS

The English cuckoo, like the American crow, leaves its single egg in the nests of birds much smaller than itself, like the hedge sparrow, the pied wagtail and the meadow pipit. When the young cuckoo—a veritable giant in comparison with its nestmates—is a few days old, it pushes its companions out of the nest and thus becomes the sole object of the care of its tiny foster parents.

A DIPLOMATIC TIP

At a time when it was thought that Germany wanted to get a foot-hold in Holland, Bismarck and the Dutch ambassador stood watching a review of the German army. As a well equipped body of men marched past the ambassador said: "The soldiers, but too short." Then came the Grenadiers between six and seven feet tall; nevertheless the ambassador's comment was the same as before: "Fine soldiers, but too short."

HADN'T SEEN THEM

A correspondent from Cheshire, England, says: "I came upon a small boy not long ago who was moodily fishing with an improvised rod and hook in the muddy waters of the canal. I cannot but believe that he will make a great fisherman some day, for he seemed to have the dogged perseverance necessary for the craft. But he was clearly far from happy. He paid no attention to me at all; but he suddenly turned the water in his hand. 'What are you doing?' I asked him at last. 'Fishing for snags,' he replied, 'I don't know,' he replied, 'I've never caught any yet!'

GOT WHAT HE WANTED

Two venerable theologians in an upstate town were very friendly, despite their difference in belief. One, who was about 70, was an Episcopalian while the other, who was slightly younger, was a Presbyterian. In that town had always lived a Jew, addressed as "Father N." Having got used to this title in conversation with the orthodox, the Episcopalian minister later used it several times in speaking to the new rector, who did not want to be addressed that way. Several times he asked the Presbyterian to omit the title in his direct conversation, but

make it hard for us to believe that we live in a civilized land. Please is one of the things.

REFORESTING WASTES

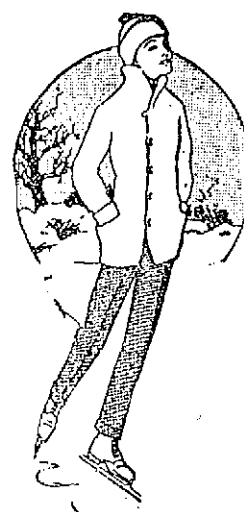
Few people realize that practically one fifth of the territory of Massachusetts is waste and unproductive land, giving no return in crops to its owners and little or no taxation to the state. The Massachusetts forestry association is aiming to transform this waste area into forest lands under state auspices, aided by state funds. The association is seeking to interest the different communities in the possibilities awaiting development, urging that the waste sections, adjoining the various cities and towns could be made productive of excellent returns with a comparatively small investment. It is argued that the systematic cultivation of forests as a commercial proposition would relieve the burden of taxation and keep the price of lumber low, thus reaching to the advantage of the man who strives to build a home of his own. As compared with other countries, Denmark and Germany in particular, it must be admitted that this country has not made the most of its forestry and industrial opportunities. The large unproductive stretches in this state are a reproach that should be blotted out.

ACTION NEEDED

If the administration has erred in its Mexican policy, it has not been on the side of too great activity, for in a laudable desire for peace there is a tendency to let argument take the place of action. A few days ago when an American force was despatched to the Arizona border to prevent further outrages against American life and property, public opinion commended the move. Now, however, there is a danger that it may result in nothing more positive than the temporary stay of our troops at Vera Cruz. When the American troops got to the border, there was no apparent change in conditions, and the threat to shoot back was not carried out. Now our administration is parleying with the Mexican officials, refraining from the punishment that was threatened. There are times when prompt action is absolutely necessary, and this seems to be one of them.

NEUTRALITY SPIRIT FORGOTTEN

It seems that a good many people in this country, chiefly college professors and clergymen, have forgotten all about President Wilson's appeal for the observance of neutrality. The controversies over the war, its causes and its probable effects, are being carried on daily by public speakers and public writers. If this country is to keep neutral these polemical orators should be less prominent and less one-sided in their addresses. The German professors are much more outspoken on the causes of the war which, of course, in their opinion, rest anywhere else than with their own country or its peace loving emperor. The war should not be carried into this country in any form.



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coughs to corns. What's your objection to it?"

"Why, nothing, only I'm Jenkins."

ANOTHER GOAT STORY

A woman with 15 bundles boarded the street car the other afternoon when I was on my way to a suburban residence. She was a very pretty young woman. I felt sorry for her. She was returning from a shopping tour. Hearing a man with a kind heart, I helped her upon the car and piled her bundles about her. A man got on at the same time and took a seat on the other side of the young lady. When the car came to my street I was surprised to see her rise and begin to pick up her bundles. Instantly my sense of civility prompted me to help her off the car, and, as I was going in the same direction, I asked permission to carry her 15 bundles. The man got off also and started on ahead. I was loaded down like a camel crossing the desert. In those packages she had everything from an electric battery to a five pound bag of prunes. We trudged alone about a half mile. The man turned in at a gate. When he reached the gate the young lady thanked me and said: "This is as far as I go. I live here. Thank you very much." "But the man ahead of us, the man who came out on the car with us, turned in here, too." "Yes," she said. "He is my husband but he hasn't to carry packages through the street—Exchange."

EDITORIAL COMMENT

REDUCED IMMIGRATION
The war in Europe has had a marked effect in reducing the volume of immigration to the United States. The number of aliens arriving at New York during the month of October having been but 36,415 as compared with 131,150 in the corresponding month last year. Meanwhile there has been a steady flow to the reserves of the great emigrant powers from here to Europe over since the war started there by reducing materially our alien population especially in the field of unskilled labor.—*Pat. River Globe.*

WAR AGAINST SIGNS

The municipal art society of Hartford, has begun a real crusade against the ugly signs that disfigure the landscape, and that the city streets with cruel masses of color and screaming texts. Other cities have started such campaigns and some of them have been quite successful. The success of the Hartford effort depends upon the



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earnestness of the workers, the support that they receive and whether the inspiration that inaugurated the idea has lasting power.—*Meriden Journal.*

REGARDING PARDONS

How long will it be now before a movement incubated in secrecy will be made for the pardon of Conner, the Utica slayer of his rival for a woman's illicit favor? His death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment because of doubt, which the jury did not feel as regards the time of the crime, about his mental responsibility, in either view of the matter, of course, he could not be safely allowed at large. But slobber sentimentalists will surely try to get him out, with a good chance of success if the weak-pareness through warning of the danger that lurk in our ponds and rivers in the early winter season is very well, but better is the preparation of absolutely safe skating ponds within the limits of every town and city for the use of its children. The cost is not excessive and the reward in the saving of life to children will pay a splendid interest on the investment.—*Ansonia Sentinel.*

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STORMY SESSION

Of the Federal House
of Representatives at
Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Dec. 18.—During a stormy all-night session of the federal house of representatives the speaker cited Joseph Home Cook, leader of the liberal party and a former cabinet minister, for gross insults to the chair.

In reply, Cook, amid liberal cheering, said the party declined to sit under a tyrannical speaker and the opposition thereupon left the house in a body.

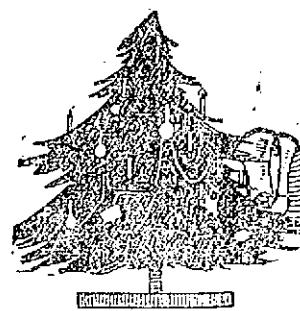
Following their departure a motion was carried to suspend Cook until he apologized for his actions in the house.

The clash grew out of a debate on the commonwealth bank bill.

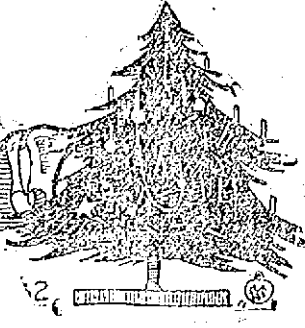
SUGAR CONSUMPTION

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 18.—Nearly a quarter billion pounds of domestic refined sugar have been exported from continental United States during the three months ended October 31, 1914, or more than 100 million in excess of the entire exports in 1910, the high-record year of the last quarter century. Sugar exports in August amounted to 38,566,305 pounds; in September, 52,290,773; and in October, 128,472,885, a total for the three months of 229,329,963 pounds, against 41 million in the fiscal year 1913, 125 million in 1910, and 10 million in 1908. During the fiscal years 1912 and 1911 practically all the exports of sugar were refined from imported raw sugar and received a drawback equal to the duties paid on the raw sugar, less one per cent.

The unusually large exports of sugar in recent months had interest to a commission regarding sugar consumption in the United States made by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce of the department of commerce and published in the "Statistical Record of the Progress of the United States, 1898-1914," recently issued. In 25 years the sugar consumption of the country has almost tripled and has increased from 50,441 pounds per capita in 1889 to 56.55 pounds in 1914. In that period Cuba has increased its contributions to the domestic market from 1,022 million to 3,927 million pounds, and the noncontiguous territories of Hawaii, the Philippines, and Porto Rico have increased their shipments of sugar in 1889 to 23,141 million in 1914, from 511 million to 1,874 million pounds; while Europe, the Dutch East Indies, and other foreign countries have decreased their sales to this



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country from 1218 million pounds of sugar in 1889 to 2,211 million in 1914. Meanwhile the domestic product has grown from 349 million to 1,814 million pounds and the exports of sugar from 25 million pounds in 1889 to 27 million pounds in the year ended June 30, 1914, with a further growth to 297 million pounds in the three months ended with October.

118 "DUSTY" RHODES

Hobbes Are All Sentenced at Somerville to Jail For 16 Days After Pleading Guilty

SOMERVILLE, Dec. 18.—Yesterday was hobo day in the Somerville district court. There 118 "Dusty Rhodes" were arraigned before Judge Wentworth on the charge of trespassing on property of the B. & M. road. Each of the "knights of the road" were fined \$10 after pleading guilty, and in default of that sum were remanded to the East Cambridge jail to work out the fine by serving 16 days each.

There is an interesting story connected with the arrest of the "Dusty Rhodes." During the quiet morning hours and while the temperature was dancing about the zero mark, Special Officers Wallis and Newcomb of the B. & M. road wandered through the bridge yard at East Somerville, among

the nicely heated coaches and Pullman cars that were standing ready for service at daybreak.

As Wallis noted one particular train of Pullmans he heard peculiar sounds.

"What's that?" he asked Newcomb, to which the latter replied: "I don't know, but it sounds as if someone's sleeping around here."

"Someone?" responded Wallis. "Not one, but an army."

Straightaway they entered the Pullman and there found in peaceful slumber two score "Knights of the Road" as happy as if in a downy bed at the exclusive St. Regis Hotel.

The officers didn't disturb the sleepers. They continued their investigation, and visiting several ordinary passenger coaches discovered fully 100 more hoboes whose snores sounded like a German battery in operation.

Securing the assistance of a number of brakemen and switch hands, Wallis and Newcomb secured an empty freight car, and, attaching it to an engine, returned to the bridge yard. The hoboes were then aroused and like a herd of cattle were driven into the box car. When all were safely locked within, the boxcar was dragged to the Union square station of the B. & M. and the hoboes were marched inside. After looking over the prisoners the officers gave orders to "fall in" and in lines of fours they were marched through the streets to the Somerville police headquarters.

To Lieut. Ray fell the duty of booking the prisoners, and it took him five hours to do the job. The defendants' ages ranged from 16 to 75 years; they represented a dozen nationalities, and when searched there wasn't 75 cents in change among the whole bunch.

RULERS OF EUROPE

Great Effort in the Conduct of Kings Whose Powers and Duties Have Decreased in Importance

Generally speaking the kings of present day Europe are respectable, serious-minded young men with reasonable prepossessions toward hard work. Most of them are of mediocre ability, and few, if any, unless it be Kaiser Wilhelm, has shown unusual ability or capacity which had he been born in twelfth century, would have raised him to prominence.

Of the kings now to the fore, Franz Josef is the only aged one. He is in his 80s and so well-nigh worn out in body and mind that he does not count for a great deal in controlling the course of events within his kingdom. Respected and fairly well liked, he is being along on the tide of ministerial government.

The Kaiser, now in his middle 50s, has vision, power and learning, and regardless of any start he might have had in life probably would have become a man to be reckoned with seriously. The younger kings are Nicholas of Russia, George of England, Victor Emmanuel of Italy, Albert of Belgium, Gustaf of Sweden, Haakon of Norway, Constantine of Greece and Alfonso of Spain. They are a very fair set of men as men go, and certainly a great improvement on the old order of monarchs.

The business of kinging has been improved, not only by more scientific

marrying, more of royal eugenics, but also by being made less important. Nicholas of Russia and Wilhelm of Germany exercise more direct power than any of their fellow rulers, most of whom, as the heads of dynasties,

are so restricted as to be monarchs in title only. They have their functions, of course, more or less useful and always highly ornamental, which they seem to be trying, in good faith, to perform to the honor and benefit of

their subjects. Dynasties admittedly tend to give unity to national policy and cement the racial elements which, throughout history, it has been the effort of rulers to weld into national units; but as

peoples become better educated the uses of kings become fewer. Ultimately the dynasties will be scrapped and the great peoples will undertake to govern themselves.—Los Angeles Express.

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SONS OF RULERS ON THE FIRING LINE IN WAR



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1.—Crown Prince of Germany and youngest child. 2.—Kaiser drawing battle plan in sand for benefit of sons Eitel Frederick (on left) and Oscar. 3.—Six sons of Kaiser marching in Berlin. 4.—Crown Prince of Austria. 5.—Crown Prince of Germany. 6.—Prince Eitel Frederick and Kaiser. 7.—Prince of Wales. 8.—Crown Prince of Serbia.

By JOHN J. BREEN.

WITH three of the Kaiser's six sons wounded in battle, the Prince of Wales of England on the firing line and the respective crown princes of Austria and Serbia at the heads of army corps, the sons of rulers of the countries at war in Europe are playing a conspicuous part in the great struggle. Stories from the front agree that actions of royalty are where the bullets fly the thickest.

While all of the Kaiser's six sons have been at the front from the opening of the war, it was not until a few weeks ago that the help to the throne of England joined the fighting forces. When he crossed the channel from Folkestone to Boulogne a fine reception was given him by the troops of the allies who saw him disembark. A trainload of wounded soldiers was alongside the quay, and when the news became known that his royal highness had joined the active forces there was great enthusiasm. Several of the injured men were held up to the windows of carriages to see him, and he shook hands with some of them and spoke to others. The prince was in khaki and seemed very fit and in excellent spirits.

When the war broke out the Prince of Wales, then attached to the First Grenadier guards, was exceptionally keen on route marches and other features of a soldier's training. He was full of enthusiasm and confident that he would get his chance of going into active service, but his hope was not at first realized. When his regiment was ordered to the front he was transferred to other duties. The young prince did his best to move the authorities. He even made a personal call on Lord Kitchener at the war office, but the

secretary of state for war was adamant. He pointed out to his royal highness that he had not served his full course of military training and that until this had been done no exception could be made even to favor the heir to the throne.

Prince Not to Be Denied.

Though disappointed by the rebuff, the prince went about his duties in England with sustained enthusiasm, and no doubt he has been winning powerful influence to his side. The prince was only twenty years old last June when at Oxford. The prince was in the university officers' training corps, and he took his marching with the rest. He marched to the camp under a blazing sun and bivouacked by the roadside in a blanket. With his jacket and shirt collar wide open and cuffs rolled back he was unrecognized

among the khaki clad cadets striding along the dusty roads from Mytchett camp to Bramshill House.

It is said now that both King George and Lord Kitchener gave their consent to the Prince of Wales joining the army at the front. He is attached to the staff of Field Marshal Sir John French.

The sons of the Kaiser, in order as to age, are: Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm, Prince Eitel Frederick, Prince Adalbert, Prince August, Prince Oscar and Prince Joachim. The three last named have been wounded in the war. The crown prince, for years a leading advocate of a warlike policy for Germany, escaped injury during the early period of the war, although numerous stories had him wounded and mortally hurt on many occasions.

The crown prince was known in his youth as very much of a daredevil and

is said to have shown absolute fearlessness in the present war of Germany against almost all Europe. Several reports have been published of his death while leading the first division of the Imperial Guard army corps.

The crown prince was born on May 6, 1882. His military education was begun when he was fourteen years old, and he was a cadet at one of the German military schools for four years. He became a lieutenant in 1900 and had risen to a colonelcy just before war was declared.

He was married on June 6, 1905, to Princess Cecilie of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and they have had four sons, the oldest of whom was born on July 1, 1906, and the youngest in December, 1912.

For years the crown prince was a leading advocate of a warlike policy

for Germany. He identified himself entirely with the army. He resented anything that bore the faintest resemblance to a slur upon it, enthusiastically commended utterances of a militaristic tendency and became at times so outspokenly belligerent that his imperial father was compelled to curb his ardor. An instance of this was his "banishment" to Danzig a few years ago, and it was authoritatively reported that similar measures were contemplated after the crown prince's praise of Lieutenant Colonel Probenius' recently published pamphlet, "Germany's Fateful Hour," in which that officer spoke of England's "stealthy plans" against Germany, France's thirst for revenge and Russia's hatred of all things Teutonic.

Received the Iron Cross. But now this youthful advocate of

militarism finds the war which he believed imminent actually under way, and, instead of "banishment" and repression, he received from his father, the emperor, the much coveted Iron Cross for a brilliant victory placed to his credit against the French in Lorraine. It would certainly appear that the fire eater has come into his own with a vengeance.

What manner of man he is becomes now a matter of general interest, and to supply the information a book called "Des Kronprinz," by Dr. Paul Liman, has made its opportune appearance in Germany.

It seeks to describe the crown prince, to make clear the reasons for the various acts that have brought him into the limelight of late years, and also to make a guess at how he will solve the problems confronting his na-

tive land when he becomes emperor. Dr. Liman felt sure that war was coming, but he thought that it would not come until Kaiser Wilhelm II. had been gathered to his fathers. Instead of heading armies in Lorraine as crown prince, the German author assumed that Wilhelm II's eldest son would direct them as emperor in Berlin.

Dr. Liman paints an attractive portrait of the Kaiser's heir. In spite of all his vagaries, we learn that he is popular throughout Germany, totally devoid of "sido" and the keenest sort of a sportsman. Moreover, and this is less known, we hear of him as a diligent reader of books, especially on history, and as a warm admirer of Napoleon, despite the fact that the great Corsican humbled Germany to the dust in his campaigns. In Napoleon, says Dr. Liman, the crown prince sees not a "parvenu," but a genuinely great man—and he makes this interesting comment:

"Strange indeed is it that from a man who attributes all merit in history to princes, who sees in Richelieu and Okenstjerne, in Pitt and Canning, in Roan and Bismarck merely good, able counselors who have the honor of carrying out the ideas of their masters, a son should have sprung who looks with a clear eye through the mists of romanticism and finds alike in the lordling of Schenhausen (Bismarck) and lawyer's son of Corsica something to be regarded with wondering reverence."

Crown Prince Charles Francis Joseph of Austria received a thorough military education. He married Princess Zita of Italy. He has been with the Austrian army since the beginning of the war.

This is not the first war in which Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia has taken part. He bore the brunt of much of the Macedonian fighting in the Turkish war, together with the soldiers of the first army. He took active part in the battles of Kumanovo and Monastir. He is a very correct, well behaved young man, the antithesis of his wild older brother, Prince George, whose renunciation of the cares of a throne made Prince Alexander his father's heir.

TRENCH FIGHTING CRUELEST WARFARE



Photo by American Press Association.

GERMAN SOLDIERS WITH MACHINE GUNS IN TRENCHES BEFORE ANTWERP.

TRENCH fighting is one of the big developments of the war in Europe. As the great opposing armies advance trenches are dug, into which great hordes of men pour. Then along comes the artillery. If the advancing artillery can silence the guns of the enemy the infantry leave the trenches and fight in the open. If the trench of the enemy is not yet the range of a

Night In the Trenches

The moon above the trenches shone like a grim, bodiless, wizened, wan; it leered and leered till some one swore in jests of ribald metaphor.

Silence, and then a song, and then The ghastly quietude again, Pierced by the shrieking of a shell Like a lost soul cast down to hell.

And so till dawn began to creep Across the land, when soothing sleep About its hollowed influence shed And none could tell the quick or dead.

—Clinton Scott in New York Sun.

cavalry, dashing bayonet attacks or rapid counter movements by infantry in mass.

"Such things for which the public imagination is eager are not happening just now. What is happening is a howling gale shrieking across the dunes and swirling up the sands into blinding clouds and leaving across the flat marshlands as if all the invisible gods of the old ghost world were playing at racing in their chariots.

"In the trenches now the Year men crouch down close to the moist mud to shelter themselves from the wind, which is harder to evade than shrapnel shells. It lashes them with fierce cruelty.

"In spite of all the woolen comforters and knitted vests, made by women's hands at home, the wind finds its way through to the bones and marrow of the soldiers so that they are numb.

"At night it is an agony of cold, preventing sleep even if men could sleep while shells are searching for them with their cry of death.

"The gunners have dug pits for themselves, and when they cease fire for the time they crawl to the shelter, smoking through little outlets in damp blankets in which they have wrapped their heads and shoulders. They tie bundles of straw around their legs to keep out the cold and pack old newspapers inside their clothing as breastplates and swear to keep themselves warm at least in imagination.

"The wind gave a new horror to this war. There was something devilish in its howling, in its long angry roar, as it came with enormous force across the flats and then hurried itself against the walls of a village or the roof of an old barn, as if nature herself had been seized with the fury of destruction.

"It was very hot, as well as very cold, at Oudacapelle and Neuapelle and other places in the Stuyveskerke and other parts of the German battle line. The German had to work again, belching out all the time the smoke of

stabbed by red flashes, and the sky was zigzagged with forked lightning made by machinery.

"At intervals the whole horizon was illuminated by waves of vivid splendor which shone for some moments upon the blanched faces of men, who waited for death. High above the witchlike howlings of the wind furies came the shrilly whistling notes of the shells, like nightbirds, rushing through the storm in search of prey.

"The guns of the allied batteries answered back, roar echoing roar. The thunderclaps of the wind were less loud than the concussions of gunfire and yet mingled with them and prolonged them and became a part of the storm of deadly sound increasing the horror of war. Through the darkness ahead the road infantry tramped toward the lines of trenches to relieve other regiments who had endured a spell in them.

"They bent their heads low, thrusting forward into the heart of the gale, which tore at the blue coats of those Frenchmen and slashed in their faces with cruel whips. Their sidearms flung against the teeth of the wind which tried to snatch at their bayonets and drag the rifles out of their grip.

"They never raised their heads to glance at the Red Cross carts coming back."

Another correspondent writes:

"The cry for help—for doctors, nurses, litter bearers and medicaments—is urgent beyond any language I can command. The Red Cross forces are struggling day and night, eating while at work and sleeping scarcely at all. Hundreds of wounded are dying from exposure and lack of care.

"Nevertheless, the life and death struggle continues almost without interruption, piling up the human wreckage. The opposing armies fight until exhausted and then lie watching each other, shortly to resume the slaughter, the determination of the French and English invariably finding itself in contact with a like quality on the other side. It fills one with a growing wonder.

"Tents are pitched on muddy stubble fields and ditches are dug around them, the mud being heaped up on the edges of the tents. Then the mud is scraped out from the inside until a more or less hard surface is found. I have seen fields after the soldiers had struck camp marked all over with the impressions of their bodies. The exigencies of the fighting are such that rest must be obtained wherever the men may be when the battle lulls. Again and again I have seen men drop down and sleep before the tents could be

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No rush of hostile armies then,
But just the huddling sheep,
The angels singing of the
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SANTA MAN FINED \$20 REP. GARDNER TESTIFIES CARMEN'S UNION

He Wielded His Stick on Crowd of Children, Seriously Injuring One — Boy Sentenced

Distinctive indeed is the Lowell police court. Never before in the history of any city, we dare to say, was such a case tried as was decided right here in our own little village this morning. Santa Claus was tried, convicted and fined before Judge Wright in today's session.

Yesterday afternoon Santa Claus, alias Alpha Proteau, strolled about Bridge street, stroking his white beard and distributing placards along the way. It was not long before the youngsters along the thoroughfare spotted Santa and at once there was something doing.

Whether they suspected that he was an impostor or whether they thought that he carried no gifts for them, the boys and girls congregated behind the faded sponsor of the Yuletide, began to hunt and deride the pseudo Santa and finally to throw stones in his direction, some of which found their target. It was a very poor reception to hand out to Santa Claus, thought Proteau.

Being without reindeer or other form of speed locomotion, the man who played the part of Santa was forced to stand the guff as it were. He carried in his hand, however, a stout stick to the end of which was attached a couple of gyphers. The stick played the leading part in the assault for which he was "fined."

As the group of children grew more vociferous and bold the temper of the white-whiskered, red-coated individual was aroused and finally he turned around and swung his spotted side with frightful force. The stick struck 11-year-old Willie Wood in the nose and the child's face was terribly lacerated.

The charge against Proteau was assault and battery and he readily acknowledged his guilt. He told the court that the children were making fun of him and throwing stones at him and that this was the reason he assaulted the boy.

Judge Wright found the man guilty and ordered him to pay a fine of \$20. Yesterday Santa Claus' confinement was for a holiday expiration as he roamed into his pocket.

Boy Sentenced

The McNulty boy's case came up for sentence this morning. Young McNulty was the last of the gang of young thieves who recently looted a Boston and Maine freight car to be disposed of.

The boy's mother attempted to get her boy another chance but his previous record barred the way. He is on probation from the Industrial school and is present for another misdemeanor.

With quivering lips and tear-filled eyes the mother endeavored to save her child from Judge Wright. In spite of his sentimental association with the case and its consequences upon innocent people, was visibly affected by the mother's grief.

"Mother," said the court, "Your boy is bad. He has been given opportunities before and has not made use of them. He is a menace to the boys in his vicinity and today another mother told me in the juvenile session that if it had not been for your boy that her young son would never have gone astray. I would like to do this for you, but in fairness to the community I can't do it."

McNulty was sentenced to the reformatory while his mother went on a nearby bench. After a short conversation between mother and son an appeal was asked for. McNulty's case will be taken up next month in superior court.

DEATHS

SMITH—Henry W. Smith died yesterday at his home in Chelmsford Center, aged 86 years and 11 months. He leaves, besides his wife, Catherine, two sons, Joseph and John, his father, John Smith, two sisters, Mrs. Byron Lamphere of Chelmsford Center and Mrs. Katie Sheldon of Providence, R. I.; also two brothers, Walter and Charles of Providence. Deceased was a member of Admiral Farragut camp, 75, Sons of Veterans.

THOMPSON—James B. Thompson died last night at his home, 172 Andover street, aged about 84 years. Deceased was at one time a second lieutenant in Co. B, 16th Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry. He leaves two nieces. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers Simmons & Brown.

BRETT—Lowell friends of Paul Brett will be grieved to learn of his death at Allston. He was 36 years old. Mr. Brett was a well-known man who lived in this city all his life up to within eight years when he moved to Worcester. On Sunday last he went to Allston to visit his sister and on Sunday evening he was taken ill. He died Monday morning, despite every effort on the part of physicians to save his life.

RHODES—Mrs. Elizabeth Rhodes, widow of the late Cuthbert A. Rhodes, died this morning at the home of her daughter, 16 Elmwood avenue, at the age of 71 years and 11 months. She is survived by five children, Joseph A. and William A. Rhodes, May E. Anderson of Chicago, Ed E. Anderson of Boston and George A. Rhodes of this city; also two grandchildren, Norman A. and E. Douglas Rhodes. Deceased was a charter member of the Trinity lodge, Fourth ward of St. George. Funeral notice later.

DRAINVILLE—Mrs. Mary Drainville nee Marie Louise Gifford, aged 75 years, 11 months and 21 days, died today at her home, 75 Cross street, after a long illness. She is survived by her husband and 11 children, Octave, Elie, Joseph, Albert, Alfred and Adolphe Drainville. All of Lowell; Alfred of Montreal, Quebec.

FUNERAL NOTICES

MELVIN—The funeral of Elgin R. Melvin will take place Saturday afternoon (Dec. 19), from the chapel of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons at 230 Elmwood street. Friends invited. Burial in the Edison cemetery, in charge of James B. O'Donnell & Sons.

MANNING—The funeral of Hannah Manning was held yesterday afternoon from the Edison cemetery chapel. The service was conducted by Rev. Harry A. Crotch, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist church. The bearers were Samuel A. O'Donnell, Frederick M. Silk, George Smith and Walter P. Manning. Burial was in the family lot where the funeral prayers were read by Rev. Harry A. Crotch.

FUNERALS

CLARK—The funeral of Mrs. Martha Clark will take place Sunday afternoon (Dec. 20), services will be held at 74 Middlesex street, at 3 o'clock. Friends are invited with out further notice. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Brown.

Principal Witness Before the House Naval Committee Hearing Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Representative Gardner of Massachusetts was the principal witness today before the house naval committee hearing. He read a long statement in favor of the proposal for an investigation into the preparedness for national defense.

"I am here to ask you to appropriate for the full number of new ships recommended by the general naval board for this year's construction," he said. "I am sorry to say that Secretary Daniels in his recommendations to congress has cut the naval building program for this year almost exactly in two."

"If you gentlemen permit me to present as witnesses a few recently retired officers in a single day the country would have learned of our demoralized policy of building warships for cold storage. Out of 30 completed battleships do you know that twelve of them are unavailable? Unavailable without a long delay on account of our refusal to pay the bills for manning them!"

Rev. Mr. Cornell. The funeral arrangements for the late Mrs. Alice O'Brien took place this morning at 10 o'clock from her home, 75 Lawrence street and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was sung at 9 o'clock by Rev. James W. McBurnett, O. M. I.

The bearers were Thomas Kraus, William Nelson, Charles O'Neill and Patrick Breen. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the funeral prayers were read by Rev. F. J. McDermott. Among the floral offerings were: Large bouquet inscribed "Life and Mother" from husband and daughter, and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. William Cowburn and Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker James H. McBurnett.

MEDIAN—The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Median took place this morning from the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hugh Riley, 182 Chelmsford street, and was largely attended. A funeral high mass was sung in St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Patrick Crayton. The burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Patrick Crayton read the burial service. The bearers were Charles Shanley, John P. Dorsey, James O'Rourke and James P. McManis. The floral tributes placed upon the grave were a large pillow inscribed "Daughter," from her parents and pieces from Mrs. Riley and family, Miss Nellie Median, Mrs. J. A. Median of Marlboro, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. John Dorsey, 24 St. Dorsey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Riley, Mrs. P. McManis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shanley. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Melloy.

"If we had gone to war with the rest of the first class powers early in August do you realize that no less than nine of our battleships would not have been ready to fight."

"We have 15 cruisers, 22 torpedo destroyers, 12 torpedo boats, five submarine and perhaps a dozen miscellaneous fighting ships kept in cold storage with the battleships. Eighty fighting vessels of our modest navy are not available for battle in an emergency."

"I charge that our navy is 15,000 men short and a further shortage of 40,000 men is in sight. The general board which has actually made our war plans estimates the enlisted force of the navy as between 50,000 and 55,000 men short for war. If any attention has been paid to the general board's emphatic appeals for our national safety, instead of only 27 battleships built and building and authorized we should now have 47 battleships built, pending and authorized. Instead of 65 destroyers we should now have 187 destroyers."

FOR JEANNE D'ARC DAY

MAURICE BAINES OF FRANCE INTRODUCES BILL FOR CREATION OF NATIONAL HOLIDAY

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Maurice Baines, member of the chamber of deputies, will introduce a bill on Tuesday for the creation of a national holiday to be called Jeanne D'Arc day.

Jeane D'Arc, he says, "represents for France an incomparable image of force and radiant loyalty, a figure of victory, the saint of France."

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POLISH-AMERICAN SOCIETY

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A smoke talk and social hour followed the election of officers and a carefully arranged musical program was carried out. There are at present 63 citizens enrolled in membership in the club out of a total registration of 200 in the city. A committee is at present hard at work bringing in new members, and confidently believes that before six months the society will have a large membership.

The Annual Election of Officers Will be Held on Tuesday

Next Tuesday evening 6th Street Railway Men's union, local 235 will hold an election of officers, and, the contests for the various offices promise to prove most exciting. The election will take place in the union quarters in the Rutland building and the polls will be open early in the morning until late in the evening. President Fred Crowley is opposed for reelection, as is Frank Johnson who holds down the position of night warden. President Crowley has proved himself very efficient during his term in office and is well liked by the members.

There is a three cornered fight for the vice presidency, Messrs. George M. Clark, John Griffin and John Kordan aspiring for this office, and according to reports Mr. Clark has the pole.

Messrs. Peter Kearney, Thomas Sullivan and Frank Wright are contending for the office of secretary-treasurer and this fight is sure to be close. All three men have their followers and the result will remain in doubt until after the ballots are counted.

Messrs. John J. Kelley and John F. Lynch oppose each other for the position of recording secretary and a lot of interest is centered in the fight between the two. Mr. Kelley is the present incumbent and has filed the duties of the office during the past year in a capable manner. Mr. Lynch is very popular among the members of the union and it is said that this fact may put him in office. Outside of being popular, Mr. Lynch possesses all the qualifications necessary to fill the executive duties of the office most efficiently.

There are 15—unlucky for somebody—candidates for the executive board and each and every one is making an effort to land one of the coveted places. They are as follows: Edward Donnelly, Patrick P. Cahin, Michael Donlin, Michael Hanney, Daniel Gleason, Daniel Hayes, Anders Holmstedt, James Marchese, Thomas Holden, Thomas J. Powers, Frank Tonney, Patrick Fell and Michael W. Rezan. Messrs. Regan, Pels Powers and Donnelly come up for reelection.

Messrs. Alfred Hudson, Chris Mooney, Thomas B. McManey, Daniel Primeau and Arthur Lane, have put their names on the ballot as candidates for the board of trustees.

President Crowley is also unopposed as a delegate to the joint conference board, and C. Riley will hold down the job warden's position for another year as he is the only one mentioned for the position. Patrick Lowe will take care of the janitorial duties for the ensuing term as he is also unopposed.

Messrs. Joseph Wood, John Lyons and Martin E. Halloran comprise the election board.

Forty Hours' Devotion

The Forty Hours' devotion opened at St. Joseph's church this morning with an impressive ceremony. At 9 o'clock a solemn high mass was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Augustin Gratot, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. Joseph Bohling, O. M. I., as sub-deacon.

The main altar was elaborately decorated with potted plants and candles and lights and presented a cheerful appearance. The choir under the direction of Telephore Mabo rendered the mass of the Blessed Virgin with Mrs. Joseph A. Bernard presiding at the organ. The devotion will come to a close Sunday morning at the parish mass at 10.30 o'clock.

CANAL EARNS \$1,020,000

On Nov. 18—Receipts in Tolls Had Passed This Mark, Showing a Progressive Use of Ditch

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The tolls on vessels making use of the Panama canal reached and passed the \$1,000,000 mark Nov. 18, representing dues collected from 247 vessels, of which 20 were in ballast on non-cargo boats. The receipts, which began with \$11,610 prior to Aug. 15, when the canal was used by barges only, reached \$357,242 for the month of October, showing a substantial and progressive increase.

The largest part of the traffic was made up of coast-bound trade between the east and west coasts of America, which made up more than 600,000 tons of the total tonnage of 1,257,451.

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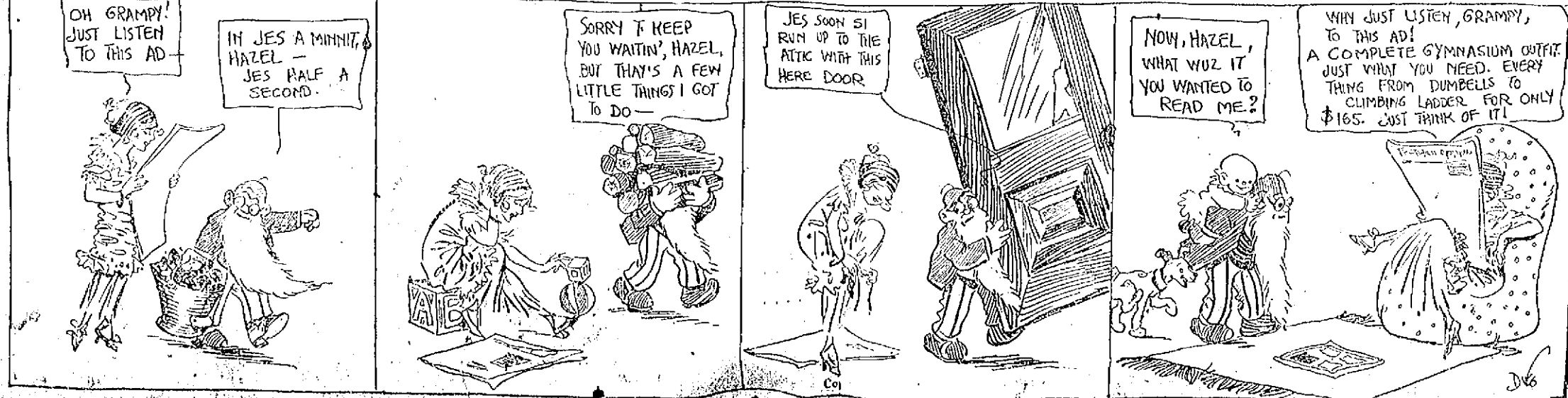
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DAY BY DAY—Poor Ole Grampy! He Needs Exercise—



BRICKLEY MAKES RECORD

Harvard Star Has Scored 289 Points for Harvard—Other Interesting Sporting News

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Charles Edward Brickley, the captain of the Harvard university team of 1914, will leave some record behind him when he graduates next spring. Brickley since he entered Harvard as a freshman in 1911 has piled up 289 points for the Crimson, 65 of which were made on the freshman eleven and the balance as a varsity player. During the three years that Brickley played on the varsity eleven Harvard teams scored 533 points, of which he made 222. In view of the fact that he figured in but two of the nine games of the 1914 schedule, his record is all the more remarkable. If it had not been for his attack of appendicitis and the following operation early in October it is quite likely that Brickley would have scored more than 50 per cent of the points made by the Crimson teams of 1912-13-14. As it is, his record, which follows, will afford a high mark at which future football stars can aim.

Year	Touchdowns	Goals	Field Goals	Total Points
1911	6	5	10	65
1912	10	0	13	99
1913	8	0	11	81
1914	6	3	1	42
Totals	30	8	35	287

x—Touchdown counted 5 points in 1911.

Baseball to Cure War

Baseball as a panacea for military action in Europe is put forth by a Harvard alumnus, who has spent some years abroad. In a letter to the Harvard alumni weekly, writes:

"My idea of the best cure for this war condition would be 'more baseball.' I believe that if they had had a regular baseball league in Europe with Berlin, Paris, London, Vienna, Antwerp, etc., participating, as well as a minor league taking in Belgrade, Brussels and a few other such places, the fans would never have tolerated the breaking out of this war during the baseball season, and if they had postponed it until the world's series was over it would have given them all time to cool off, and they probably would not have had any war. They say that baseball has done more to civilize the Philippines than the American army consulars and missionaries put together."

To Erect Large Stadiums

The stadium fever continues to spread throughout the land. Philadelphia and Chicago civic associations are now discussing the feasibility of erecting immense structures capable of seating 100,000 spectators. It is the idea of those fostering the plants that stadiums of this size can be used for many purposes such as big football

games, track meets, parades, choral festivities and military displays. The estimated cost ranges from one to two million dollars and the results, on paper at least, are expected to equal all disbursements in the course of a few years.

Baseball Records

A comparison of the official batting averages of the National League for the seasons of 1913 and 1914 develops some interesting and puzzling features. Including all those players who participated, in any manner, in 15 or more games each season, the roster for this year shows 188 names against 183 twelve months ago. Notwithstanding this increase in the total number of batters enrolled in the records, but 15 of the 1914 hitters hammered their way into the 300 or better ranks, while in 1913 the select list included 25 names.

When these lists are again reduced by eliminating all those players who did not participate in at least 50 games or approximately one-third of the season, the record shows that 14 batters qualified in 1913 to nine this season. Of this number but four, Daubert, Becker, Wheat and Magee appear in both lists. Whether the pitching, which the batters faced during 1914, was better than a year ago or a sort of sympathetic slump existed in the National League it is impossible to state but the fact remains that a number of those who batted their way into the 300 class in 1913 could not duplicate the feat during the past season.

Cravath of the Philadelphia club hit 341 in 1913 and 253 in 1914. Viox of Pittsburgh dropped from 317 to 265. Zimmerman of Chicago from 312 to 296. Chief Meyers of New York from 312 to 256. Lohr of Philadelphia from 300 to 275 and Wagner of Pittsburgh from 300 to 252. This was the first time since 1897 that Wagner dropped below 300 but this was not surprising in the case of Boston, for like other batting heroes of the past, Wagner was at last forced to bow to the all powerful arm of Father Time. For the period from 1897 to 1913, inclusive, Wagner had a grand average of .341. His highest mark was .380, made in 1900, and his lowest .305, made in 1913.

Another peculiar feature is that three of the four players who figure in the 300 or better class for both seasons increased their averages, while all around them the heavy hitters were dropping below their last year's performances. Jake Daubert, the champion batter of the league for 1913 and 1914, fell from .350 to .328 but he was the exception to the general rule of the quarter.

Becker raised his 1913 average of .315 to .325. Zach Wheat gained 18 points by batting .319 in place of .310, and Sherwood Magee moved up from .306 to .314.

conditions relative to the effect on persons who come in contact with migratory consumptives found little reason to believe that such contact has proven injurious. He points out again that investigation by American officials does not bear out the claims made by Dr. F. F. Fricke for a specific for tuberculosis. Investigation of the Von Ruck treatment for the same disease, he states, is incomplete.

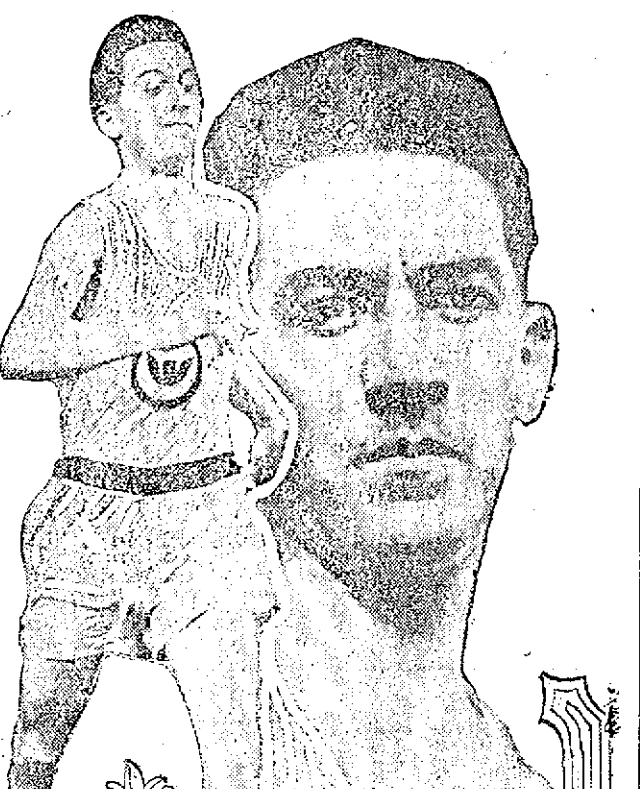
Speaking of typhoid, Dr. Blue says that although its prevalence in this country is being gradually reduced and the rate is not more than one-half that of 30 years ago, it is still higher than for some other advanced countries. The urgent need at present is for rural sanitation.

Most American cities show an appreciation of the way to deal with typhoid.

Study of the use of drugs in this country, where anti-drug legislation has made statistics available, Dr. Blue says, leads to the belief that the estimate of drug users has been high and that the users of morphine and opium in this country probably do not number more than 140,000, while the number of cocaine users is probably "very much lower."

Fireplace goods. The Thompson Hardware Co. has some beautiful goods in this line. Nothing better for presents.

A. R. KIVAT EXPECTS TO BREAK THE WORLD'S INDOOR MILE TRACK RECORD



NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A. R. Kivat of the Irish-American athletic club now holds the world's indoor mile track record, having registered the distance in 2 minutes, 15.5 seconds. Tom Halpin, previous holder of the record, made the mile in 2 minutes, 15 seconds, but he ran on a track measured according to the old system. Under the new rules of the International Athletic Federation the track must be measured 12 inches from the border instead of 18. This makes the "mile" run by Kivat about 16 feet longer than the "mile" covered by Halpin, and as the difference in time was but a fifth of a second it is certain that Kivat traveled faster than Halpin. As this is the first time the distance has been run on a track measured according to the new rules Kivat's feat goes on the books as a record. He was opposed by Ted Meredith and Homer Baker, and the spectators expected one of them to win and the other to be the contender. Kivat, to the surprise of all, took the lead at the start and held it to the finish. Meredith was not more than four inches behind Kivat, and Baker was a close third.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Competition Begun Between Rifle Clubs for Championship of U.S.

A national gallery shooting competition has begun among the rifle clubs of the country for the championship of the United States and a trophy presented by the war department. The following thirty-five rifle clubs representing twenty-one states will strive for shooting honors:

- CLASS A
- 1—Warren (Pa.) Rifle club.
 - 2—Engineers Rifle & Revolver club, Cleveland, Ohio.
 - 3—District of Columbia Rifle association.
 - 4—Adrian (Mich.) Rifle club.
 - 5—Peters Rifle & Revolver club, Kings Mills, Ohio.
 - 6—Stillwater (Minn.) Rifle & Pistol association.
 - 7—The Park club, Bridgeport, Conn.
 - 8—Bucyrus (Ohio) Rifle association.
 - 9—Dickinson (N. D.) Rifle club.
 - 10—Manchester (N. H.) Rifle & Pistol club.
 - 11—Birmingham (Ala.) Athletic Club Rifle association.
 - 12—Boston (Mass.) Rifle & Revolver club.

- CLASS B
- 1—Hopkins (Ill.) Rifle club.
 - 2—Rifles Rifle club, Madison, Wis.
 - 3—Marion (Ohio) Rifle club.
 - 4—First Missouri Infantry Rifle club, St. Louis.
 - 5—Youngstown (Ohio) Rifle & Revolver club.
 - 6—Swiss Rifle club, Louisville, Ky.
 - 7—Milwaukee (Wis.) Rifle & Pistol club.
 - 8—Tacoma (Wash.) Rifle club.
 - 9—Watertown (N. Y.) Rifle club.
 - 10—Waveland Rifle club, Pea Moines, Iowa.
 - 11—Hoosier Rifle club, Indianapolis, Ind.
 - 12—Ranger (Me.) Rifle association.

- CLASS C
- 1—Buffalo (N. Y.) Rifle club.
 - 2—Kane (Pa.) Rifle club.
 - 3—Detroit (Mich.) Rifle & Revolver club.
 - 4—Tucson (Ariz.) Rifle club.
 - 5—Ogden (Utah) Rifle & Revolver club.
 - 6—Salt Lake (Utah) Rifle & Revolver club.
 - 7—Albion (Ind.) Rifle club.
 - 8—Corvallis (Me.) Rifle club.
 - 9—Louisville (Ky.) Rifle & Revolver club.
 - 10—Watertown (S. D.) Rifle club.
 - 11—New Haven Grays Rifle club (Conn.).
 - 12—Payette (Idaho) Rifle club.

Each club will be represented by a team of ten members. 22 calibre rifles will be used shooting in gallery ranges at 75 feet on a ten line target having a half-inch bull and rings one-quarter of an inch apart. The clubs are divided into three classes similar to the national interstate matches and the members of the winning team in each class will receive medals from the war department. The matches are held under the auspices of the National Rifle Association of America who appoints representatives in each city to supervise the firing of the local team. Results of the weekly matches are telegraphed to Washington where they are tabulated and given out. The present holder of the championship trophy is the Warren, Pa. Rifle club. It is expected that all previous records will be broken as matches

ture shooting is growing in popularity very rapidly in this country. England has fostered this style of shooting until she had 20,000 members of shooting clubs when the war broke out and their value to the country was thoroughly demonstrated. The United States will be compelled to do most of its training of civilians in rifle shooting on gallery ranges until conscription makes some provision for the building of outdoor ranges.

AGAINST FALSE LABELS

GOVERNMENT'S WORK FOR PROPERLY LABELLED DRUGS AND BETTER FOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The false and fraudulent labeling of medicines and mineral waters has recently received a great deal of attention from the bureau of chemistry, according to the bureau's report for the year ending June 30, 1914. A large number of instances have been found in which impossible claims for the preparations in question have been made and in these cases steps have been taken to compel the owners to alter the labels. This is true of a large number of veterinary medicines and in particular of (so-called) cures for hog cholera. As for mineral waters, the position long held by the bureau, that so-called lithia water must contain enough lithia to produce an appreciable therapeutic effect, has now been sustained by the supreme court of the District of Columbia, and in consequence action has been taken to enforce this ruling. Measures are being taken to prevent the exploitation of so-called radioactive water in which the amount of radium is negligible. Furthermore, mineral waters to which has been added carbonic acid gas or mineral salt, are not any more sold as "natural," but are properly labeled.

In connection with the bureau's work of food inspection, two important sanitary surveys have been made of enter growing localities, one in Chesapeake bay, and one in Jamaica Bay, N. Y. Wherever these surveys resulted in the discovery of polluted areas the livestock moved their stock to clean water and maintained it there for a sufficient time until all danger to the consumer was done away with.

Another there were nearly 12,000 samples of food and beverages collected and analyzed. The co-operation of other branches of the government has been secured for the prosecution of cases not fully covered by the food and drug act. For example, in one case commercialized illegal lotto and beer, a number of persons were indicted for conspiracy. In another case a manufacturer of beverages received a long prison sentence for putting wood alcohol in his products.

In addition to this regulatory work connected with the enforcement of various laws, scientists of the bureau have been carrying on important investigations. The report makes particular mention of the study of the subject of potato disease. Dried potatoes may be kept indefinitely for stock feed and are of course much less bulky and, therefore, less expensive to transport than ordinary potatoes. This investigation will ultimately be extended to other uses for potato products, such as the manufacture of starch and glucose. In order to encourage the production of potatoes as a regular part in crop rotation in sections where this could be done with benefit.

Two new ways have also been discovered of utilizing surplusage and still sprays. One is the manufacture of apple syrup by clarifying and bottling down apple juice. The syrup obtained promises to be a welcome addition to our diet as well as affording a new market for the apple grower. The other method of disposing of the surplusage of apples is the manufacture of concentrated cider. With the mar-

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SECOND FLOOR

Let for elder has been limited, due to the fact that it can only be kept sweet a short time and that its bulk makes its transportation too expensive when long distances are to be covered. The concentrated elder ferments very slowly when kept at a low temperature. When diluted with water it has practically the same flavor as the original elder, but it is much more convenient to use. Considerable attention has also been devoted to the fish industry which up to the present time has been a subject of much less scientific study than meat packing. With the growing scarcity of fish will come to play a more important part in the nation's food supply and such questions as the best means of storage, transportation, and the prevention of waste deserve careful investigation. An instance of the value of this work is afforded by the Maine sardine industry. As a result of government investigation, a marked improvement has taken place in the quality of American sardines put up by establishments along the coast of that state.

BOMBARDED BY BRITISH

TURKISH BARRACKS ON SHORE IN GULF OF SAROS COMPLETELY DESTROYED

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Havas agency has given out a despatch from its correspondent at Athens who quotes a message from the island of Tenedos to the effect that the recent bombardment in the Gulf of Saros immediately north of the Bardoanles by a British fleet completely destroyed the Turkish barracks on shore and a seriously damaged the fortifications. The Turks panicked and fled to the interior.

ANOTHER CHARGE BROUGHT

Two of Five Men Under Arrest on Suspicion of Robbery Held for Alleged Theft of Goods

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Elmer Taylor and Thomas Weatherly, two of the five young men under arrest on suspicion of being implicated in the robbery of Miss Annie Griffin of \$300 last Monday evening, were in the Roxbury court yesterday, charged with stealing goods valued at \$28.70 from the store of Potter Bros., 912 Tremont street. Their case was continued till Dec. 24. There are grounds for believing that on information furnished the police by the men now in custody other arrests will soon be made. The three other men under arrest besides the mother of the stolen goods, Mr. John W. Little, alias "Johnny Black Box," and Alphonso Murphy. The five are held in \$2000 for their appearance Dec. 21. All accepting Weatherly are said to have admitted complicity in the robbery of Miss Griffin.

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LARGE STORE TO LET AT 55 CORNHILL. Good business stand, terms negotiable. Apply 12 Cornhill st.

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FIVE-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET: separate cold and hot water, 12 per week; at 15 Watson ave., near depot. Apply C. Barry Chapin, 501 Middle st.

NEW MOBILE COTTAGE IN DRACONTO, Centre to let; also clean, bright tenement; near depot. Inquire at small family. Dr. Wesley Sawyer.

FIVE-ROOM FLAT TO LET: DOWN stairs; bath, hot water, set tubs, etc. Tel. 271-R. 457 School st.

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INQUIRE MAHONEY, 77 Beech St.

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STOVE REPAIRS OF ALL KINDS—We furnish only the original repairs. Twenty years a stove man. Ineson & Co., 23 Central st.

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DECEMBER

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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

- 1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North corner, extending from Fulton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.
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- 3 All box numbers commencing with the figure three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the corner of Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.
- 4 All box numbers commencing with the figure four, are located in the North corner, extending from Fulton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.
- 5 All numbers commencing with Ave. are for four or more upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.
- 6 All numbers commencing with 215, are located in Centralville.
- 7 All numbers commencing with 216, are located in Pawtucketville.
- 8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

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BANDIT WHO ROBBED TWO BANKS IS DEAD

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—The life of Frank G. Hohl, notorious automobile bandit, ended here yesterday after a daring three hours' career of crime, which included the robbing of two Cincinnati banks, the theft of an automobile and a pistol duel with police men, that resulted with almost certain mortal wounds to one officer, and the death of the bandit.

Thirteen thousand and one hundred dollars was missing as the result of the bank robbery and the police are confident that Hohl, in his wild automobile dashes, managed to pass the money to some confederate.

Hohl's last outburst started shortly after 10 a. m. yesterday, when he entered the West End branch of the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company, fired two shots at Cashier Edward Hughes, seized \$5000 in currency, backed out, jumped into a waiting automobile, which had been stolen and disappeared.

While the police were searching for the bandit more than an hour later, he entered the Liberty Banking and Savings company bank, 10 blocks away, fired two shots at Cashier George Winters, grabbed \$5000 in currency, ran to his automobile and again disappeared.

Almost two hours later Harry Backus, born, whose mother conducts an apartment house on West 21st street, informed the police of the resemblance of a man who rented a room there yesterday with a description given of the bandit. When three policemen arrived at the room and knocked, the door was suddenly thrown open and the bandit opened fire. He then rushed past the officers, one of whom, Police man Edward Knoll, was probably mortally wounded.

The desperado entered the automobile which was standing at a nearby corner, but in rounding a corner the machine crashed into a telephone pole and was wrecked. The bandit jumped out and opened fire on the two officers who had pursued him.

In the fusillade that followed, Hohl fell with four bullet wounds in his body, and died shortly afterward at the hospital. He was identified by Hughes. Later, other means of identification proved to the satisfaction of the police that the dead man was Hohl.

Hohl was well known to the police and was a favorite from justice. The police claim that he shot an Atlanta, Ga., bank March 3, was arrested and, while being conveyed to the Pittsburgh jail, threw a steaming cup of coffee in his guard's face and escaped. He was recaptured, but escaped from the Hollidaysburg jail.

The police also claim that he was wanted in connection with a diamond robbery in Kansas City, Mo., a year ago, where he had assumed the name of Howe. Mrs. John Hohl, who says she is the widow of Frank G. Hohl, was arrested last night, but the police were unable to find any trace of the money taken by the robber.

SEARCHING FOR MONEY TAKEN BY THE BANDIT

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 18.—The police today are searching for \$13,000 obtained by Frank G. Hohl, automobile bandit, from the two banks he held up and robbed yesterday before he was shot in a pistol duel with three police officers.

Police man Knoll, the policeman shot by Hohl, was operated on early today and the attending physicians held out very little hope for his recovery.

Hohl's body still lies unclaimed at the city hospital. His wife, Mrs. Bertha Hohl, who was arrested last night, declared she would not claim the body. She denied knowing anything about the robbery, saying she even was ignorant of the fact that Hohl had been in the city. Mrs. Hohl said her husband left her more than a year ago because she would not take an active part in his career of crime.

Mrs. Hohl said that she was married to Hohl in Harrisburg in March, 1911, a few days after he had been dismissed from the Eastern penitentiary at Philadelphia. Her maiden name was Bertha Holtzman.

"Hohl was sent to the reformatory at Harrisburg, Pa., when he was 17 years old," she informed the police. "He got out of a Harrisburg reformatory on the release paper, for which he was later arrested and in connection with several robberies, was sentenced to the Eastern penitentiary for an indeterminate term of from one to five years. He served 15 months and returned to Harrisburg, where we were married. After that we came to Columbus, O., and some months later he brought me here. He left me, saying he was going to Chicago and the next time I heard of him, he had married a woman, 20 years old, of Salem, O., at Harrisburg in 1913, under the name of Frank Wilson."

JOHN J. GANLEY

Another Police Officer Charged With Violation of Rule Nineteen

Another patrolman, John J. Ganley, is accused of violating rule 19, the highest rule of the police department, and he will have to face a trial board of his peers Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. The complainants are his superior officers. They charge that the patrolman was violating in the matter of ringing in his boxes at the times specified. They claim that intervals of hours passed without hearing from him. Mayor Murphy has appointed the following trial board to hear the evidence in the case: Captain Thomas H. Atkinson, Lieut. John B. Freeman and Sgt. Bartholomew Ryan.

AT YESTERDAY'S HEARING

SECRETARY MURPHY SAYS IT WAS A LAMELY AFFAIR—LOWELL'S PROTEST LOGGED

The hearing held yesterday before the public service commission on the petition of the Boston and Maine and other railroads for permission to increase the rates between certain points on their systems and to eliminate the issuing of certain trip tickets was very largely attended, says Secretary Murphy of the local board today.

The board of trade of the larger cities within a radius of 50 miles of Boston were represented, and all were opposed to the granting of the increases. The only matter of direct concern to the people of Lowell is the increase in the price of the 50 trip ticket which will cost \$20 instead of \$20.25 after January first. If the increase is allowed, the elimination of the ten, twelve and twenty-five trip tickets will not affect many local people as the sale of these tickets is very small.

"The monthly ticket and student tickets will not be affected by the increase. A protest from the directors of the Lowell board of trade was registered by Secretary Murphy in reference to the increase of the fifty trip ticket."

JAS. E. O'DONNELL
Counsellor at Law
Room 220 45 Merrimack St.

DANCING CELTIC ASSOCIATES

Friday Eve., Dec. 18



City Bills 1914

December 26, is the last day to present bills for the year 1914. The Municipal Council will meet December 29, to approve all bills received.

Books of the City of Lowell close December 31, 1914.
CHAS. D. FAIGLE, Auditor.
GEORGE H. BROWN, Commissioner of Finance.

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If you are working that is all that's necessary.
\$5.00—COST.....75¢
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FIRST PAYMENT AFTER CHRISTMAS
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Offices 202 Hildreth Building 45 Merrimack St.
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EGYPT AND SUDAN JOIN BRITISH EMPIRE

Robs Turk of Last Foothold in Africa —Germans Claim Two British Destroyers Sunk—Berlin and Vienna Report Russians Falling Back

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Again the Germans and Austrians seem to be on the crest of a wave of battle as the interminable struggle in the east continues, again Berlin is gay with flags and again Petrograd declines to concede victory to the invaders of Russia. Berlin and Vienna contend, however, that the Russians are falling back along the entire front from the Baltic to the Carpathians with the invading center less than 30 miles from Warsaw.

To the south, Russians only a few weeks ago were pouring over the Carpathians into Hungary, combined Austro-German columns have now forced them back through the passes and, it is asserted, have advanced two-thirds of the way across Galicia and are nearing the fortress of Lemberg, captured by the Russians early in the Galician campaign.

The Russian official announcements

admit none of this. They dispute the happenings in Galicia as engagements of no importance and class the operations to the west of Warsaw in the same category. It is claimed, however, that the extreme Russian flight near Mlava has thrust the German tank and that Russian cavalry has swung across the southern border of East Prussia.

In the western arena no event of great importance has been reported. Foot by foot, the allies appear to be forcing the Germans out of their trenches in Flanders and maintaining the pressure elsewhere on the front from the sea to Switzerland.

All England is still breathing hard over the German raid on the east

coast. Interest having been stimulated afresh by the latest accounts coming out of Hartlepool.

Most of the naturalized Germans arrested on the east coast after the German raid have been liberated.

An Amsterdam despatch to Reuters' Telegram company contains a German official statement claiming that some of the British destroyers which attacked the German raiding squadron off the British coast were sunk. The communication follows:

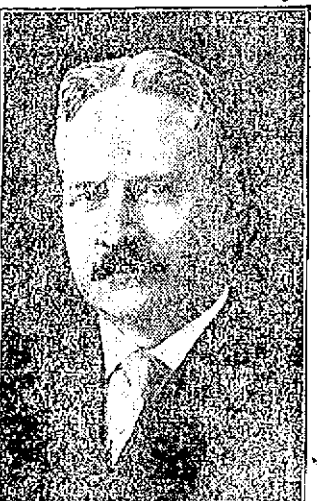
"The retreating cruisers were attacked by four British destroyers, one of which was sunk. Another disappeared badly damaged. 'At another point another British destroyer was sunk.'"

An official statement issued by the British admiralty last night makes no mention of any British warship having been lost. The British statement said that the light cruiser *Patrol* and the destroyer *Down*, which were among the British ships that attacked the German raiding force, were struck by shells and lost five men in killed and 15 wounded.

Receiver's Notice

By a decree of the Superior Court, I have been appointed receiver of the firm of Freeman & Koyelman, clothing dealers, at 151 Central street. All persons having claims against that firm should present the same to me at once. The business will be carried on by me as receiver till further notice. The stock is new and will be sold at greatly reduced prices. This is your opportunity.

JAMES STEWART MURPHY, Receiver.
Lowell, December 17, 1914.



A Shuman & Co.'s \$20 Gray or Blue Ratine Overcoats, at—

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Today and Saturday

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50 WOMEN'S NEW
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Across From City Hall

O'Sullivan Says:

The good news is out. We have been waiting a long time for it. The New England railroads have been granted the 5% increase in freight rates by the interstate commerce commission.

We have been so anxiously waiting for this, it ought to be a sure harbinger of a better buying spirit by the railroads for their much needed requirements and ought to result in immediate revival in business.

HUMPHREY O'SULLIVAN

Do you know of a better way to save \$5.00 than to buy a Shuman \$20 Gray or Blue Ratine Overcoat, for \$15.00?

You pay \$20 in Boston or wherever Shuman's goods are sold, for these overcoats. That is the regular price of the garment and it is worth every cent of it. To buy here at \$15 the same coat that sells elsewhere at \$20, is an opportunity other stores cannot offer. It is another proof of our value giving supremacy.

The coats are made in full box style, three quarter length with patch pockets—warm, comfortable and dressy. Come in and get one today or Saturday.

Here are three big specials in our furnishing department.
\$1.00 Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, at.....79¢
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We save you money on your Christmas gifts as well as on year around goods; look us over before you make your purchases.

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THE KAISER BETTER, TO RETURN TO THE FRONT

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—Emperor William, who has been detained in Berlin for some time because of illness, will return to the front this week, according to a despatch to the Telegram today.

The emperor, the same despatch says, has just conferred the decoration of the Iron Cross, first class, on Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg.

NIKIN DISPATCH SAYS THAT THE AUSTRIAN LOSSES ARE VERY HEAVY

PARIS, Dec. 18.—In a Nikin despatch a correspondent of the Havas agency says that the Serbian authorities have re-established themselves in the vicinity of Pedrin, where the Austrian troops surrendered to them. Prisoners affirm that the Austrian losses in the recent engagements in killed and wounded have been very large and that they exceed the losses in prisoners. Heavy casualties are shown by the unnumbered unburied bodies of Austrian soldiers found on the line of their retreat.

Lozuzita, where there has been no fighting recently, was burned by the Austrians.

LAST NIGHTS EUROPEAN WAR FEATURES IN BRIEF FORM

Drilge von Buelow declares German fleet will soon deliver a blow that may astonish the world.

England prepares to repel further raids on her coast.

Egypt is declared a British protectorate.

German victory in Central Poland sets the Russians back toward Warsaw.

Russians reported in retreat along entire front except in East Prussia.

Allies gain ground to eastward of Ypres in Belgium and at points in Northern France.

German fleet off Falklands refused to surrender and flagship sunk with crew ranged on deck cheering.

Turks claim a victory in Province of Yana.

Berlin newspapers assert a majority of the 70,000 from that city who went to war have been killed.

Total death list from German bombardment of English shore towns, 93.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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Shop at Gilbride's Xmas store.
Good "bats" for Xmas at John St. Public Market. Tel. 2517.
Buy Xmas gifts at Gilbride's.
A nice velvet hat or fur cap makes a fine present. DeLoane, Sun Bldg.
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Best Xmas bargains. Gilbride's.
Fresh killed Vermont turkeys at Liberty St. Market. Tel. 1182.
Fancy umbrellas for Xmas at Sarre Bros., 539 Merrimack st.
Dolls' hats. Johnston's, Central Block.
Cut prices on staple shoes at Ellipse's, 521 Merrimack st.
Catholic goods. See Heard's.
Devine's double stitched club bag. Biggest Xmas bargain in town. Only \$2.00. All sizes. Trunks and leather specialties. The Big Trunk Store, 124 Merrimack st.
Buy cuff links at Pettler's.

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TOMORROW AFTERNOON, DEC. 19, AT 3 O'CLOCK
A 2-1-2 STORY HOUSE AND ABOUT 2769 SQUARE FEET OF LAND AT 20 TYLER STREET

I shall offer for absolute sale on the premises regardless of any condition of the weather the above property.
House consists of nine rooms, pantry, bath, has furnace heat and is lighted throughout by gas. On the first floor there is a large parlor, sitting room, dining room, kitchen and a sleeping room; upstairs has four also, well lighted chambers and bath; front and back stairs. This house is conveniently laid out. There is a very nice room in the basement which could be used as a summer kitchen or laundry, the remainder of the cellar is all cemented.
The lot is located on the northerly side of Tyler street and within two hundred feet of Central street. Now then here is a grand opportunity for some one who would like to locate in this part of the city. The property can be seen anytime by calling on the auctioneer.
Terms of sale: \$200 must be secured to the auctioneer as soon as struck off. Make all inquiries of the auctioneer who has full charge.
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Lamb for Stew, per lb.	8c, 10c, 12c
Fancy Leg and Loin Spring Lamb, per lb.	18c
Fancy Leg and Loin Patted Veal, per lb.	18c
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